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Campus comes together for city

■ N.C. State students plan to do their part.

APRIL HARRISON
Senior Staff Writer

On March 28, 1998, N.C. State and the surrounding community will take part in one of the largest service projects ever organized by this campus — Service Raleigh '98.

This project, dreamed up by Student Government and assisted by Park Scholars, hopes to organize NCSU organizations, individual students, faculty, staff and surrounding community members in a wide-spread service day that will contribute to the betterment of Raleigh.

"Organizations and individuals will be assigned a service project and will be paired up with a non-profit agency or organization in the greater Raleigh area," Jennifer Lin, chair of community service for the student body president, said.

Some examples of these organizations are local nursery homes, United Way, Wake County Schools, Habitat for Humanity, the Food Bank and Dorothea Dix Hospital.

"We are targeting student organizations first of all, and we know that we will have a lot of support from them. But we are hoping that faculty members will participate in this event as well," Lin said.

On the morning of March 28, all committed participants will report to Harris Field at 10 a.m. for registration and a short pep rally. The work will begin at 10:30 a.m. on various sites throughout Raleigh.

"In terms of exactly what the projects will be that day, it will be determined largely by what the specific agency needs done the most," Lin said. "Some examples might include painting rooms or planting flowers in run-down nursing homes."

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Lumberjack lethargy



Little West, a freshman in Aerospace Engineering, enjoys his free time on sunny Sunday afternoon in Pullen Park.

AN HERB/SIMP

Senate wants election restrictions

■ Candidates for Student Government positions may soon have more criteria to meet.

LEA DELICIO
Assistant News Editor

The option to run for student body president may no longer be open to anyone.

The Student Senate recently approved a bill requiring, among other things, that all candidates for student body president have previous experience within Student Government. The bill is now awaiting approval from the student body president. Should the president approve it, the bill

would require all candidates for student body president to have served at least one session, equal to six months, in some branch of Student Government.

It is the belief of Jonathan Rowell, a member of the Student Senate who introduced this bill, that the student body deserves a president with experience and knowledge of Student Government. The responsibilities of the office are fairly heavy, Rowell said.

Rowell cited the fact that the Student Government is a \$130,000 to \$180,000 organization.

"That's a serious amount of money," Rowell said. "Students deserve to have good, experienced stewards to manage that kind of situation."

Rowell also argued that student body elections have become too crowded lately. In the initial elections candidates do not have a chance to explain where they stand on pertinent issues.

"It did not give the opportunity for the candidates to differentiate themselves," Rowell said. "They would all kind of say the same thing in the hopes that they would push over into the run-off election."

According to Rowell, past experience with Student Government can include experience in the senate, the judicial branch, or executive assistants. Also, it might be argued that the College Council System, the IRC and the Union Activities

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Council questions grading proposal

■ The University Academic Operations Council critiqued GPA boosting.

KRIS LARSON
Staff Writer

Following the Faculty Senate decision to recommend a universal plus/minus grading system, the University Academic Operations Council met Thursday afternoon to discuss its opinions on the future of N.C. State's proposed grading policy.

Of the issues raised at the council meeting, none was more debated than the possible side effects of raising the A+ to a value of 4.333 quality points. Sherwood Bryan, a representative from registration and records, expressed his concerns about how plus/minus grading may affect the university.

"Last year, the university had 31 valedictorians. By raising the A+ to a 4.333 and capping the maximum grade point average at 4.0, at least 99 students on this campus will have a 4.0, even after receiving at least one B during their academic careers. By virtue of deflation alone, this implementation will change what the 4.0 has long stood to define: straight A's. In a few years, the university could have 100 valedictorians standing on the stage each May. Valedictorians should be 'straight-A' students."

One council member suggested that the qualifications for earning the valedictorian distinction be changed. Among the ideas generated was one that required students to earn a 4.0 and have straight A's, while another recommended that the distinction be earned by comparing the new, weighted GPAs.

The council member continued, "This process would altogether eliminate the hordes of valedictorians on stage, leaving a much more deserved honor."







Another problem arose in the designation of

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NCSU club celebrates Southern heritage



The following is the second in a three-part series on unique NCSU student organizations.

JOSH JUSTIN
Assistant News Editor

When the Civil War is discussed, it seems as if slavery, cotton and secession are always on the itinerary.

However, it is common knowledge that the Civil War was much more than that. The former Confederate States of America (CSA), for instance, has a rich and vast history, and the inner workings of that body are often ignored.

Enter the "D.H. Hill Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans," a club here at N.C. State that aims to examine and appreciate the Confederacy.

John Bunting, the camp's commander, says the club's goal is to preserve the heritage of the Confederate veterans who fought for state's sovereignty.

The NCSU chapter is fairly new. "We began organizing in the fall of 1996," Bunting said. "We weren't chartered until the spring of 1997."

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is a national organization and is broken down into divisions by states, followed by brigades, then camps.

Why is the name "D.H. Hill" in the camp's name? His father was a Confederate soldier.

"D.H. Hill was the son of 'General D.H. Hill,' a Confederate general from North Carolina," Bunting said.

"D.H. Hill was one of the founders of NCSU." There is a requirement to be in the club, however — you must have had an ancestor who fought for

the Confederacy or have had an ancestor involved in the Confederate Government.

"I had a great-great grandfather in the N.C. militia from Craven County," Bunting said, commenting on the ancestors he had who were participants in the Confederate cause. "I also had another who was an ensign from Craven County."

Bunting, who is from Brunswick County and is a wildlife science major, made essential distinctions about the flags used by the Confederacy.

"People often associate the 'Stars and Bars' with the 3-by-5 flag containing the Southern Cross," Bunting said. "This is not the case. The 'Stars and Bars' was the first national flag of the Confederacy."

According to a pamphlet from the "Reenactment of the Battle of Batchelder's Creek," an event sponsored by the N.C. Division of Sons of Confederate Veterans, the 'Stars and Bars' was designed by a North Carolinian, Major Orren

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Monday IN BRIEF



Conference seeks volunteers

The Science House is seeking women scientists and engineers to serve as volunteer presenters and panelists at the sixth annual Expanding Your Horizons conference to be held at N.C. State from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. March 10.

The conference is expected to attract nearly 500 seventh grade girls from area schools. Its goals are to increase young women's interest in science, mathematics and engineering; to foster awareness of career opportunities in these fields; and to provide students with an opportunity to meet and form personal contacts with women working in traditionally male-dominated fields. This year's keynote speaker is Nobel Laureate Dr. Gertrude Elion of Glaxo Wellcome.

Scientists and engineers interested in volunteering should call the Science House at 515-6118 or send e-mail to science_house@ncsu.edu.

Registration open for Emerging Issues Forum

People and the environment constitute a fragile partnership; how that partnership evolves and how it can be strengthened will be the focus of the 1998 Emerging Issues Forum at the McKimmon Center Feb. 26-27.

Registration remains open for the conference, entitled "People and Planet: A Fragile Partnership," which will focus on the issue of sustainable development and will offer perspectives on a wide range of other environmental issues.

For information or to register, contact Sharon Wade, Emerging Issues Forum, Box 7401, Raleigh, NC 27695-7401, or call 515-7741; information is also online at http://www2.ncsu.edu/emerging_issues. Admission is \$150, which includes entry to the conference and all meals and materials. There are a limited number of student passes that can be obtained through the student's individual colleges.

Development grant for faculty diversity offered

N.C. State seeks continually to enrich the experiential opportunities of the faculty and thus enhance the educational environment. Recognizing the importance of professional development, the provost has established, among other developmental programs, one promoting the success and richness of the faculty by focusing on the combination of scholarly activity and cultivation of potential faculty members who would increase the faculty diversity.

The primary objective of the program is to provide support for scholarly germane activities that culminate in publication of research articles or books and in presentation at professional meetings where interaction will occur with peers having the potential to recruit individuals who will contribute to the faculty diversity at NCSU. For more information, contact Associate Provost William Grant at 515-7966 or bill_grant@ncsu.edu. Deadline for applications is Feb. 27.

OUTSIDE



Senate

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Board would fall under the "Student Government umbrella," Rowell said.

Student Body President Chad Myers is opposed to a large portion of the bill.

"I think we're limiting our choices," Myers said.

Myers feels the provision limits student choice to members of the Student Senate. Myers does not think it is fair to limit students' choice to just Student Government members. He feels there are many other groups on campus where students can learn the leadership skills necessary to be student body president, citing athletes and members of CALS as examples.

Myers also disagreed with Rowell's belief that elections are too crowded.

"We had seven candidates last semester, but it was kind of obvious that two stood out," Myers said.

The bill also requires that students running for the office of student body president, student senate president, student body treasurer, student body comptroller and student body chief justice "shall have a cumulative grade point average of 2.000 on all course work at NCSU."

The bill will also require candidates for the offices of student senate president and student body treasurer to have one legislative session of experience in the Student Senate. Also, candidates for student body chief justice will be required to have served two semesters on the Judicial Board or Integrity Board. Should the president pass the bill, it will go into effect immediately.

Grades

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Dean's List honors, as well as Magna, Summa and Cum Laude designations that may accompany graduation honors.

Some other problems with changing the grading scale were also discussed.

Many of the faculty members were already appalled at the plus/minus system. One of the largest problems exists in the fact that the university has not recommended a universal plus/minus grading scale, so it is up to professors to determine their own plus/minus requirements.

One council member said, "I thought it was grossly unfair that I could give two students the same

grade for the same academic performance, and because of the grandfather clause, the grades counted differently."

The council member continued, "We should be sensitive to the students who have worked very hard. By giving the students an added bonus in earning an A+ to cancel out an A-, and then raising the academic designation hurdles, this decision may serve more as a slap in the face than an aid to the students who earn the higher grades."

The committee stood undecided on the issue but concluded by recommending a conference committee to help the provost examine the issue of academic designations in conjunction with an amended plus/minus grading system. The ultimate decision regarding the fate of plus/minus grading rests in the provost's hands.

Cohen: Strikes on Iraq will be comprehensive

Unless Hussein concedes soon to U.N. weapons inspections, U.S. targets will include his nuclear and conventional weapons.

EDWARD WALSH AND DWID BROWN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary William S. Cohen said Sunday that the targets of U.S. airstrikes against Iraq would include not only sites thought to contain Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's suspected nonconventional weapons of mass destruction but also those housing conventional military forces that Hussein could use to threaten his neighbors.

Continuing the drumbeat of Clinton administration warnings about the stalemate with Iraq, Cohen and national security adviser Samuel R. "Sandy" Berger appeared on Sunday morning television interview programs to reiterate U.S. willingness to mount a military assault soon unless Saddam Hussein grants full access to suspected weapons production sites for inspection teams from the United Nations.

"Our national interest is in preventing him from threatening his neighbors once again, trying to take control and dominate that region," Berger said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "And as long as he pops up and we stand firm, the international community has the will to knock him back. We will prevent him from being that kind of threat to his region."

In recent days, President Clinton and his senior foreign policy and military advisers have said the objectives of U.S. military action

against Iraq would be to significantly diminish and delay Saddam Hussein's capacity to produce chemical and biological weapons, and his ability to threaten his neighbors. Appearing Sunday on ABC's "This Week," Cohen emphasized that the threat posed by the Iraqi leader to the Persian Gulf region extended beyond the issue of nonconventional weapons.

National



NEWS

Asked if it would be "a major aim of an air attack on Iraq to degrade his (Saddam Hussein's) conventional forces," Cohen replied, "It is to degrade his ability to threaten his neighbors, either through weapons of mass destruction or through a conventional method."

He did not elaborate, but one likely conventional force target would be Iraq's Republican Guard, the most elite and loyal force in the Iraqi military. Such a course of action was urged Sunday by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., as part of what he said should be a longer range plan to "destabilize and eventually overthrow" Saddam Hussein.

Interviewed on "Fox News Sunday," McCain said: "One of his main pillars of support is the Republican Guard... So that's why it's so important that we not only take out the other facilities that

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Clubs

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Randolph Smith. The flag consisted of a blue union with a circle of stars in the upper left corner representing each state of the Confederacy and three bars — the top and bottom were red while the middle bar was white.

The Confederate Battle Flag is the symbol often associated with hate groups. The most common Confederate Battle Flag today is 52 square inches with a white border and a blue St. Andrews Cross with 13 white stars on a red field.

Bunting is at a loss as to why hate groups use the Confederate Battle Flag as a symbol for their cause.

"To be honest with you, I don't know why they adopted the

symbol," said Bunting, referring to groups such as the Ku Klux Klan and Neo-Nazi Skinheads.

"What you never see is that Christian and American flags are usual at Klan rallies. This is overlooked," he said. "They use this flag [Confederate] as a scapegoat for hatred."

"It bothers me that they use the flag in that way."

Bunting stated that the club took quite a hit in roster status last year. The club currently has eight members.

"We haven't gotten our recruiting drive started this semester," said Bunting.

The D.H. Hill camp members often attend Civil War reenactments. Oakwood Cemetery in downtown Raleigh, which is the gravesite of legendary NCSU basketball coach Jimmy Valvano, has a large Confederate section, and the group is involved with events

there. NCSU fraternities Farmhouse and Alpha Zeta often accompany the group in various activities.

"We have guest speakers, like people from the Department of Archives, and people who study the Civil War and are paid to do it," Bunting said.

Bunting expressed his feelings about those individuals who might have negative feelings about the Confederacy.

"The people who run down the Confederacy — they're also running down the founders of this university," said Bunting, with confidence and conviction. "Every founder was either a soldier or a son of a soldier."

"We're offering people a chance to learn about history."

The group meets twice a month, usually on Wednesday nights in Gardner Hall.

Service

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The work will end at 4 p.m. At that time, all participants will report back to a central location for a festive celebration.

"At the end of Service Raleigh, we will have a celebration of volunteerism. Everyone will gather together, and we will have a big party with door prizes, catered food and bands playing from Virginia and North Carolina," Lin said.

The organizers of this project are expecting a turnout of around 1,000 people and are hoping that Service Raleigh will become an annual event on this campus.

"Our goals for this project are two-fold. First, we hope that people will begin to think more about volunteering in their community, and, secondly, we hope to facilitate more interaction between the NCSU community itself," Lin said.

Members of Student Government will be glad to come speak at any organizational meetings to discuss Service Raleigh in more detail.

For more information, to schedule a speaker or to commit your organization to Service Raleigh, please contact Jennifer Lin by phone at 755-1569 or by e-mail at jin3@unity.ncsu.edu.

Clarification:

Behind last Monday's article, "Magic, Paganism and Podiums," a pentagram graphic appeared. In reference to the graphic, the Society for Paganism and Magic wishes to state that their organization does not practice Satanism, a form of worship often associated with pentagrams.

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Sports

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Final results:

Biathlon

Women's 7.5K

1. Galina Koukleva, Russia	23:08.0
2. Ursula Diel, Germany	23:08.7
3. Katrin Apel, Germany	23:32.4

Nordic Skiing

Large Hill Jumping

1. Kazuyoshi Funaki, Japan	272.3
2. Jani Soininen, Finland	260.8
3. Masahiko Harada, Japan	258.3

Men's 15K

1. Thomas Alsgaard, Norway	1:07:01.7
2. Bjorn Dachle, Norway	1:07:02.8
3. Vladimir Smimov, Kazakhstan	1:07:31.5

Individual Combined

1. Bjarte Engen Vik, Norway	27.5
2. Sampsa Lajunen, Finland	28.2
3. Valerij Stoljarov, Russia	28.2

Two-man Bobsled

1. Lueders-MacEachern, Canada	3:37.24
Huber-Tartaglia, Italy	3:37.24
3. Langen-Zimmermann, Germany	3:37.89

Alpine

Men's Downhill

1. Jean-Luc Cretier, France	1:50.11
2. Lasse Kjus, Norway	1:50.51
3. Hannes Trinkl, Austria	1:50.63

Men's Combined

1. Mari Reiter, Austria	3:08.06
2. Lasse Kjus, Norway	3:08.65
3. Christian Mayer, Austria	3:10.11

Luge

Men's Doubles

1. Krauss-Behrendt, Germany	1:41.105
2. Thorpe-Sheer, U.S.A.	1:41.127
3. Grimmette-Martin, U.S.A.	1:41.217

Figure Skating

Men's

1. Ilia Kulik, Russia	1.5
2. Elvis Stojko, Canada	4.0
3. Philippe Candeloro, France	4.5

Curling

Men's

1. Switzerland	3
2. Canada	2
3. Norway	1

Women's

1. Canada	2
2. Denmark	1
3. Sweden	1



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Pack wins big

■ Career highs from freshman Kenny Inge led the Wolfpack past Norfolk State, 81-63.

K. GAFFNEY
Sports Editor

Some freshmen wonder if they are making an impact on their teams. Kenny Inge has stopped wondering.

The Wolfpack's six-foot-eight freshman had career highs in points and rebounds on Saturday night, leading N.C. State past Norfolk State, 81-63.

Inge finished Saturday night's contest with 16 rebounds and 24 points, bettering his career highs by two and seven, respectively.

The numbers also marked Inge's fifth double-double of the season, tops among ACC freshmen.

Fourteen of Inge's 24 points came from the foul line.

Shots from the charity stripe have been one area of his game that Inge has been concentrating on and consistently improving.

Against Norfolk State, Inge shot 82 percent from the line.

"Coach Miller has been on me a bit," said Inge after Saturday's game. "I know that I go to the line a lot, so we have been working on it. Every day after practice, I shot a couple of extra shots."

Apparently, "a couple" is a relative term to Kenny Inge.

According to the NCSU coaching staff, Inge has been shooting between 100 and

200 extra shots a day, even on game days.

"You have to give him credit," said State Assistant Coach Sean Miller. "About two weeks ago, he picked out this area of his game and has been working on it ever since. I'd say that he shot about 800 extra free throws last week."

Inge scored 14 of his points and pulled down nine of his rebounds in the second half when the Wolfpack needed him the most.

The Pack jumped to a slow start against a less-than-lack-luster opponent in Norfolk State.

At the half, State was up by just two points. Norfolk's Kevin Perry and Damian Woolfolk refused to let the Pack break away in the first half.

The duo combined for 22 points in the first 20 minutes, while NSU's front court out-rebounded the Pack, 16-12.

An early second-half surge catalyzed by senior C.C. Harrison propelled the Pack to a 13-point lead with 14:32 left to play.

Seven points and two steals by Harrison in a span of three minutes gave the Pack the lead from which it would never look back.

"C.C. has played every position for our team this year except center," State Coach Herb Sendek said. "Most guys couldn't remember all of those spots, let alone play them. I think that is a testimony to his intelligence and his versatility."

Four Wolfpack players finished the game

"I'd say that he shot about 800 extra free throws last week."

— Asst. Coach Sean Miller, on Kenny Inge



Isiah Benjamin was one of four Wolfpack players to score in double figures in Saturday night's 81-63 win over Norfolk State.

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With 'Heart'

■ The Wolfpack continues its string of strong performances with a decisive victory at the Hearts Invitational.

JAMES CURLE
Assistant Sports Editor

Perhaps luck is what you make of it.

Friday the 13th didn't seem to present any problems for the N.C. State gymnastics team as it crushed the squads from UNC-Chapel Hill and George Washington at the Hearts Invitational.

The Pack recorded a 194.325 — its highest score of the season thus far — to outpace second-place finisher UNC-CH's 190.450, a margin of nearly four points. George Washington finished third with a score of 189.650.

"We were on top of things," senior Co-Captain Ashley Hutsell said. "We were really into each other and helping each other get through the night, and we did great."

Consistency was a key factor in the Pack's strong score, as it was forced to record only one fall incurred on uneven bars. State scored at least 48.250 or better on all four of the events, with two scores eclipsing the 48.8 mark.

The Pack started solid on vault, with all six gymnasts scoring a 9.5 or better. Junior Gemma Robison and Hutsell finished the event on a strong note, both posting scores of



Sarah Dolan gets inverted on the balance beam Friday.

9.825 that earned them second-place honors. The Pack finished the event with a team score of 48.425, and would parlay that into a solid showing on the uneven bars.

Despite counting one fall, the Pack recorded a team mark of 48.250 behind the strong performances of sophomore Jen Sommer and freshman Amy Langendorf. Both posted scores of 9.800, and along with Hutsell's 9.750 and Co-Captain Stephanie Wall's 9.675, their scores made for a solid showing on the event. If underclassmen are harboring any jitters from the early part of the season, they certainly aren't evident.

"We've just gotten more used to competing in front of a crowd," Langendorf said. "Usually [in high school], we'd go to home meets,

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State takes two

■ Baseball team records two more blowouts at Doak Field.

TIM HUNTER
Staff Writer

N.C. State	14
Norfolk State	4

There was a crowd on hand for Saturday's match-up with Norfolk State, and the Wolfpack was not about to disappoint its fans.

N.C. State, led from the mound by Bubba Scarce and from the plate by Brian Ward and Josh Ballard, trampled Norfolk State, 17-4.

Tied 1-1 after one and a half innings, a three-run homerun from Ward, the Wolfpack's first of the season, put State ahead for good, 5-1.

Ward finished the game 4-4 at the plate, with four RBIs and two runs scored.

Junior Josh Ballard went 2-3, with two RBIs and three runs scored, with six assists from the shortstop position on the defensive end.

The fifth inning brought in seven Wolfpack runs, all coming with two outs.

Norfolk scored two in the top of the eighth, but was unable to earn anything else off of the NCSU pitching mound.

Bubba Scarce threw for six innings, allowing five hits and two runs, striking out eight and walking just two.

The win improves Scarce's 1998 record to 2-0.

Grant Dorn, a sophomore right-hander, handled two innings from the mound for the Pack and Coach Elliot Avent. Facing 10 batters, Dorn walked just one while fanning four, allowing two runs in two innings.

Freshman Corey Mattison saw one inning of action, facing four batters and allowing just one hit.

Sunday's game marked the fourth straight



Junior first baseman Luis Figueroa looks for the out against Norfolk State.

N.C. State	13
Norfolk State	0

big win for the Wolfpack.

State jumped out to a six run lead after two innings and cruised to a 13-0 rout, improving their record to 5-2.

"It has been a good start so far, but it is early," Coach Elliot Avent said. "But we still have a way to go. We have showed signs of becoming a decent ball club."

Almost everyone got in on the act on offense, and staff ace Kurt Blackmon (1-1) pitched five shutout innings to pick up his first win of the young season.

"It makes it easy on a pitcher," Blackmon said. "When you are scoring 14 runs a game, all a pitcher has to do is go out there and throw strikes and get through the game as fast as he can."

State never looked back after scoring early and often against an outmached Norfolk

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Wolfpack NOTES



ImPACK program wins national award

N.C. State's ImPACK program has received honors as one of the nation's top athletics-related programs, winning a Program of Excellence Award by the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association.

The award is presented to institutions that have established CHAMPS/Life Skills programs of particular accomplishment. The CHAMPS/Life Skills program is comprised of five components, providing "special personal development opportunities, and preparation for life, for student-athletes during their college careers," according to a release from the Athletic Director's Association.

NCSU's ImPACK program was awarded last week, along with programs from the University of Arizona, Ohio State University and The University of Texas at Austin.

The award was presented to Athletics Director Les Robinson and Program Coordinator Lin Dawson.

Women's tennis falls to Kansas in home opener

N.C. State fell to Kansas, 8-1, yesterday at the Raleigh Racquet Club.

The Wolfpack team of Ramsey Roberts and Brie Glover won the third singles match, defeating the Jay Hawk's Julia Sidrova and Brooke Chiller, 8-5.

Kansas swept through the single matches, with only the sixth singles match going to three sets. Kansas' Monica Sekulov defeated Francie Barragan, 6-4, in the first set, then dropped the second, 4-6, before putting the match away with a 6-3 win in the third.

No. 4 singles player Marissa Gildemeister battled back in the second set, after dropping the first set, 6-1. Gildemeister took the set to 7-5 before losing to Christine Sues.

No. 3 singles player Kris Sell defeated Roberts, 6-2, 6-1. Sell is the younger sister of Wolfpack tennis Coach and former standout Jenny Garrity.

The Pack will next be in action at N.C. State at the beginning of March.

Cougars announce 1998 schedule, new coach

The Raleigh Cougars, a semi-pro basketball team in the U.S. Basketball League, has announced its 1998 schedule.

The Cougars, under new Coach James "Twiggy" Sanders, will play a 26-game schedule starting on May 1.

Tampa Bay will be the Cougars' first opponent, and the schedule will finish up in late June, with the Cougars on the road at Columbus.

The USBL underwent some significant changes in the most recent off-season.

Three franchises joined the now 12-member league, and three new coaches were announced.

Along with Raleigh's Sanders, Rick Bary has signed on to coach the team from New Jersey.

The Columbus team will be coached by Pat Knight, son of Indiana Coach Bobby Knight. The younger Knight is also a former member of the Hoosiers.

The Cougars will play their home game in Dorton Arena.

ACC

ACC Women's Basketball Standings

1. N.C. State	10-3
1. Duke	10-3
3. Clemson	10-4
4. UNC-Chapel Hill	9-4
5. Virginia	8-5
6. Maryland	6-7
7. Florida State	4-9
8. Georgia Tech	2-10
9. Wake Forest	0-13

Pack ready for Terps



Sophomore guard Nallah Wallace (5) and the Wolfpack ready to take on the Terrapins of Maryland tonight at 7 p.m. in Reynolds Coliseum. The Pack currently holds a share of the top spot in the Atlantic Coast Conference rankings, but will need a win to hold onto that. State beat the Terps earlier this season.

N.C. STATE v. MARYLAND

Game time: 7:00 p.m. tonight at Reynolds Coliseum. The game will be televised on HTS.

Maryland at a glance:
 Coach: Chris Weller (Maryland '66)
 Career Record: 432-208 (22 years)
 Record at Maryland: Same
 1996-97: 18-10 overall, 9-7 ACC
 Conference regular season finish: Fourth
 Starters Lost: None
 Starters Returning: Stephanie Cross, Sonia Chase, Kalisa Davis, Kelley Gibson

Series Record: 29-23 (Wolfpack)
Last Meeting: The Pack downed the Terrapins, 64-56, in Maryland. The Terps gave State a tough game until the final minutes. Summer Erb came through for the Wolfpack in the end, scoring a career high of 25 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Chasty Melvin added a double-double of 15 points and 11 rebounds for State. Tiffany Brown scored a team high of 21 points for Maryland.

What to watch: Maryland, like this time last season, is a team looking for wins anywhere they can get them. Not necessarily battling for position in the ACC, but looking to finish at 8-8 in the conference in order to at least have a prayer of playing post-season outside of Charlotte. State is the team to beat, but needs a win to keep a hold on part of the No. 1 spot in the ACC. The Pack could sweep the individual conference awards at the end of the season, but fans and the team alike will have to wait.

Ready and Waiting

■ N.C. State's wrestlers pick up a much needed non-conference win.

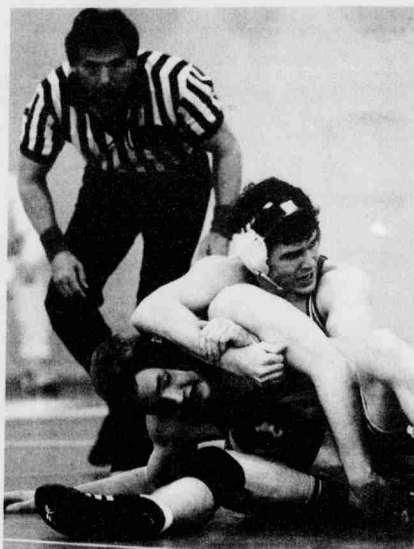
JAMES HOPE
Staff Writer

Ouch.
 That one word sums up what the N.C. State wrestlers did to their counterparts from Navy on Saturday. State dominated the Midshipmen, winning six of the ten matches and posting a final score of 23-15.
 Lee Carroll started the meet off on the right foot by winning his bout with Drew Smith, despite injuring his left knee during the match.
 "I tried to sweep him (Smith) but he came down right on my knee," Carroll remarked after the match. He expects to be at full strength by Thursday night when the Pack takes on UNC-Chapel Hill.
 James Kocher gave Navy's Craig McDermott no chance in their bout, winning by technical fall 15-0, giving State its second victory of the night.

In his first match since being injured, Pierre Pryor tore into Navy's Jeremy Hite, not letting up until the final buzzer. Pryor won his match 9-0.
 "My legs just felt great...I'm back," Pryor exclaimed after the match.

The Wolfpack also received good performances from Kevin Farnham, who won 3-2 over Mark Newman, and Jeff Green, who embarrassed Loran Morgan 14-6.
 The Midshipmen kept within reach of the Pack with Navy's Jason Ford winning over Wolfpack sub Brad Bauer in a close match, 9-6.
 Bauer had stepped in for State freshman Tommy Davis, who did not make his weight class.
 State's John Grochowski also dropped a closely contested match, 5-3.

The Navy squad was brought to life when Karl Hayward pinned Kevin Boross, and Justin Woodruff scored two points on a takedown with four seconds to go to beat Josh McClure.
 Woodruff's victory closed State's lead to four points, giving Navy a slim chance to edge the Wolfpack.



After a win over Navy, the Pack is ready for UNC-CH on Thursday.

To do so, Matt Brickert would have to pin heavyweight Billy Blunt.
 In the final bout Brickert had no chance against the bigger Blunt, who sealed the win for the Pack with a 22-8 win.
 Disappointed about the loss, Navy coach Reg Wicks gave credit to the State squad and pointed out that his team's mental focus was off.
 "Our heart wasn't in it...our kids need to get their heads screwed on straight," Wicks remarked.
 Wicks also said that the team's mentality was the reason that the Midshipmen's top wrestler, Greg Gingskie, was not present.
 In contrast, State Coach Bob Guzzo was very pleased with his squad's performance.
 "We're wrestling better than we have been all season," remarked Guzzo. "Even our guys who lost wrestled well."
 Guzzo went on to say that if his team keeps wrestling the way they did Saturday, he believes that nearly all of his starters will qualify for the NCAAs.
 State's next meet will be Thursday night in Reynolds Coliseum against UNC-CH at 8 p.m.

Pack gets a fine tuneup

■ N.C. State's indoor track team's last competition before ACC's went well this weekend.

Sports Staff Report

Eleven different Wolfpack athletes placed in the top five in 12 different events as the N.C. State track team competed in the Virginia Tech Indoor Invitational in Blacksburg, Va., this past weekend.

The meet was the Pack's last before returning to Rector Fieldhouse in Blacksburg for the Atlantic Coast Conference's Indoor Championships this coming Sunday and Monday.

Sherlane Armstrong continued to make a name for herself as one of the region's top jumpers.

Armstrong finished third in the women's long jump, with a distance of 6.07 meters.

The women also fared well in the distance events.

Laura Rhoads, an all-American in cross country for the past two years, finished third in the one mile run, with a time of 9:27.51. Rhoads was the top collegiate finisher, being beaten by one unattached runner and one runner from team New Balance.

State freshman Amy Beykirch, who has made an immediate impact on both the State cross country and track and field programs, finished fifth in the same race, with a time of 9:43.41.

Kate Sabino, another Pack freshman, took fourth in the one mile run, finishing in 4:58.56.

Tiffany Heath finished fifth in the weight throw, with a distance of 15.16 meters, while Anitra Henry took seventh in the same event.

On the men's side, John Williamson took second in the weight throw, and Jason Perry took

second in the 60-meter high hurdles.

In the 3,000 meter run, a trio of N.C. State-affiliated runners took the top three spots. Former Wolfpack All-Americans Bob Henes and Todd Lopenam finished first and second in the event. Chan Pons, a cross country All-American, finished third, the top Collegiate finisher in the event.

Pons' time of 8:08:06 was less than two seconds off Lopenam's second place time.

Wolfpack senior Pat Joyce finished fifth with a time of 8:10.33.

Junior transfer Chris Pluchos took third behind two unattached runners in the 3,000-meter run, posting a time of 14:42.48.

Robbie Howell and Brendan Rodgers took first and third in the one mile run, with respective times of 4:05.72 and 4:06.76.

two steals to just two turnovers for Coach Sendek and the Pack.

Harrison picked up a game-high six steals, and added four assists to his line.

The Pack prepares for Virginia on Wednesday. In Charlottesville, the Cavaliers got the best of the Pack, 59-56, behind 35 points from Norman Nolan. This weekend, Virginia got trounced 105-86 by Georgia Tech, a team that NCSU has beaten twice already this season.

Pack

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seeing double digits in the scoring column.

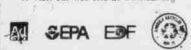
Harrison had 18, sinking four baskets from beyond the arc, as did freshman guard Archie Miller, who finished with 16 points.

Ishua Benjamin had a quiet 11 points, but added six assists and

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Gym

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and there'd be 10 people — like our parents. Now, we're just used to trying to perform for the crowd, and it's a lot more fun."

These younger gymnasts really turned it up a notch going into the third rotation, the balance beam. Five of the six Pack competitors were underclassmen, including freshmen Sarah Dolan, Kara Charles and Monica Berry, and sophomores Sommer and Maggie Haney.

Wall stood as the lone upperclassman on quite possibly the

team's strongest event — further testament to the continuing strength of Coach Mark Stevenson's recruiting classes.

Berry, Dolan and Charles all upped their personal bests for the event, and Wall continued her dominance of the event en route to a 48.800 team score for the event.

It was a tough score to top, but the Pack had no qualms in doing so on the floor exercise, posting a 48.850 for the highest team event score of the evening from any team.

Junior Stephanie Flanagan and Hutsell finished the event with a pair of 9.800s and put the final exclamation point on the meet for State. As a team, the Pack swept the top five positions on the apparatus and with Haney joining Hutsell and

Flanagan in a three-way tie for first.

Wall finished the meet taking first-place honors in the all-around competition with a 38.825, with the Heels' Brooke Wilson taking second and GW's Darden Wilce coming in third with scores of 38.625 and 38.550, respectively. Charles set a new personal best for all-around with a 38.075.

State's 194.325 bested their highest score of the season by nearly two full points, upping their previous best of 192.700 that they recorded against Georgia two weeks ago. This will only serve to give the team more momentum as it prepares for tough road trips against Florida this weekend, and Alabama, Arizona and Massachusetts in two weeks.

Baseball

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State team.

Junior Brain Ward continued his hot streak, driving in two runs in the first two innings. "You always want to start out hot; I just hope I can finish hot as well," Ward said.

State had four players with two

RBI's, and three others with one. Senior Co-Captain Jake Weber led the team, going 3-4 and accounting for three RBI's.

"We are just making strides to try and improve every game," Avent said.

Ballard had another outstanding game, driving in two runs on a hit and a walk.

"Josh has been exceptional these last few games. We are in such need of a defensive shortstop, and

Josh has come in and given us level-headed, steady play," Avent proclaimed.

Catcher Brad Perry nailed a line drive homerun over the center field wall in the eighth inning to provide the final margin.

Junior left-fielder Adrean Acevedo showed off his bat yet again, going 4-4 with two RBI's.

The Wolfpack will be in action again this Tuesday, taking on UNC-G at Doak Field at 3:00 p.m.

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Chuck D to give lecture Tuesday

Public Enemy No. 1, Chuck D, will lecture on racism and social change this Tuesday night on the N.C. State campus.

ROBERT GREENE
Staff Writer

When Chuck D comes to the Watherspoon Student Center at 7:00 p.m. on Tues., Feb. 17, students will get the chance to hear a voice like no other. As the lead rapper and ideological force behind Public Enemy's revolutionary sound, he and his mighty voice have become many things since he exploded onto the scene in 1987.

Emerging from the steel noise of DJ Terminator X's turn tables, this baritone has become the most influential social commentator of his era, the most respected and revered figure in hip-hop history and a hero to an entire generation of music fans — especially those with their eyes fixed on socio-political concerns.

He never became the end-all, be-all voice of this generation, however. The reason for this is clear. His incendiary vocals that expounded upon the problems and preoccupations of urban youth and the collective disorientation of the black political community was too much a manifestation of one particular, unyielding mindset. Rage and resistance in the face of racism and black internal struggles has always been hard to completely popularize.

Chuck D has believed still that the wheels of social evolution turn in the minds of the oppressed; that power is diffused through the many, not concentrated with the few. His eloquent indictments of an often racist white media, an all too discriminatory political establishment and the betrayal of black America by many of its own constructs have made Chuck D the central theorist regarding the modern African American predicament. And his calling to arms of this community over these and other

issues has given those who fear social progression a big target to attempt to shoot down.

Yet the public enemy No. 1 has remained.

Today he is a multi-media personality, with his own sights still centered directly on the target of social and political

equality. But where did Chuck D come from?

The long climb to his current standing began back in 1987 when Public Enemy released its first record, "Yo! Bum Rush the Show." It wasn't until 1988's "It Takes a Nation of Millions to Hold Us Back" however, that Chuck D and the group reached their complete potential. "It Takes a Nation..." considered by many to be the single greatest record in rap history, took the baton from Run DMC's "Raising Hell" and augmented rap's newfound commercial viability with a deep social consciousness.

With clown prince Flava Flav in the passenger seat and the Bomb Squad in the back, Chuck D delivered the goods on such classics as "Bring the Noise" and "Don't Believe the Hype." The resurgent calls for black unity in the vortex of the Reagan-Bush empire suddenly crystallized around one group and one man. The onslaught would continue with 1990's "Fear of a Black Planet" and 1991's "Apocalypse 91... the Enemy Strikes Black."

But when gangsta rap began to put the strong hold on the hip-hop nation, Public Enemy was left out in the cold. You can hear Chuck D's frustration on 1994's "Muse Sick N' Hour Mess Age." Public Enemy's answer to Dr. Dre and his followers. It was still powerful, but the moment had clearly passed. Many began

speculate that Chuck D and the group might never reappear, or never be as important again.

So Chuck D reemerged and retooled his message for the multimedia arena. He is currently a special commentator for the Fox News Channel, and has been the spokesperson for such politically active organizations as Rock the Vote, the National Urban League and the National Alliance of African American Athletes. His current lecture series, titled "Racism and Social Change," concentrates on the ideas elaborated on primarily in his first book, "Fight the Power."

Chuck D on Rap, Race and Reality," which came out in the fall of 1997.

He has also dabbled in other areas. His own rap label, Slam Jamz — a subsidiary of Sony Music — has concentrated on lesser-known acts with similar determinations as Chuck D himself. Rapp Style, his own clothing line, has been designed with strictly hip-hoppers in mind. Furthermore, he has been working on and developing the multimedia Web site Rapp Station — Hip-Hop Nation and the hip-hop-meets-education organization REACH (Rappers Educating All Curricula through Hip-Hop).

All this and music, too. In 1997 he released his first solo record, "The Autobiography of Mistachuck," and he has been currently working on Public Enemy's seventh album, "Afraid of the Dark," which is due out later this year.

Through it all, he has maintained his congeniality and his focus. He stands as a poignant reminder of the power of rap, and music in general — in the realms of socio-political activism. Chuck D, the man with so much trouble on his mind, has the ability to provoke thought and action unlike anyone you've ever heard or seen. So come watch him "teach the bourgeoisie and rock the boulevard" this Tues. night in the Watherspoon Cinema. Admission — and understanding — is free.

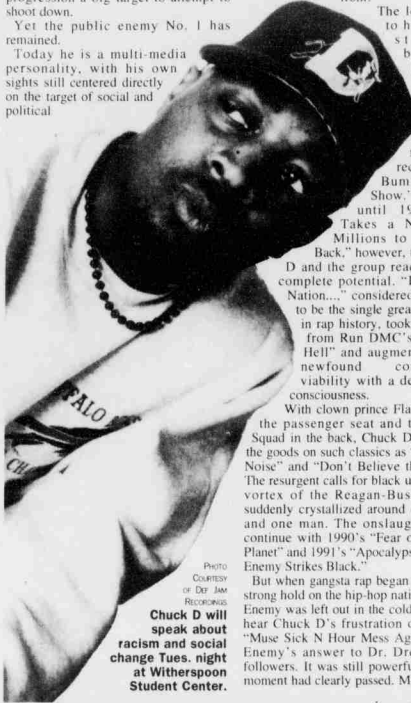


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Chuck D will speak about racism and social change Tues. night at Watherspoon Student Center.

Technobabble

The CPU race, Part I: The geek assaults your senses once again with a slew of acronyms and a little computer brain surgery.

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Last week, I wrote a little about computer CPUs (well, I realize I wrote a lot, but there was a little in it about CPUs). This week, I endeavor to explain some of the more archaic and esoteric terms I threw around with such reckless abandon last week.

If that last lot sounds a little wordy, it should. This week's column is all about words and vocabulary. Don't worry, though, this isn't a vocabulary lesson for you (though you may pick up a few terms); it's all about the way computers talk.

At the heart of every computer today is a silicon chip. This chip, and all the thousands of wires and infinitesimally small transistors packed onto its surface, is the central processing unit. Like the brain, it controls every operation that goes on in the workings of the computer. There are different kinds of chips out there, but the kind of chip, or microprocessor, the CPU is doesn't matter much at this point — they all process information in basically the same way.

A CPU doesn't do much on its own. It needs data and instructions on what to do with data once it's got it. These instructions get passed along to it from various sources via the data bus, the computational equivalent of mass transit.

In just the same way CPUs have speed ratings, usually in megahertz or thousands of cycles per second, the data bus in every computer has a speed rating as well. Speed ratings aren't the precise measures of computation power that most people believe. Instead, different kinds of chips running at the same speed will have totally different real-world results. Chip speeds aren't even based on the CPU itself, but are just the speed that other chips, called clock chips, are running at. Processors that come off the assembly line are tested to see what speeds they can acceptably run at, and if they test over 233 mhz, they are tossed in the bin labeled 233 — if they run at a little less, they go into the 200 bin. The only difference, in some cases, is the clock chip that accompanies

With each tick of the clock chip, a little packet of information trickles off the bus into the CPU. To make things a little more confusing, the data bus gets a clock chip of its own. The bus speed is usually a good deal slower than the CPU speed for a variety of reasons, and it can become a bottleneck in faster computers. To ease the flow of data into the processor off the bus, the two are synchronized, the CPU running at an even multiple of the bus speed. For instance, a 100 mhz processor would, usually, be coupled with a data bus running at 33 mhz, or more precisely running at 33 1/3 mhz.

Now, I started out this column talking about words; finally, I come to my point.

All that data coming into the processor is made up of what computer scientists call words. Each word is a string of binary information — all ones and zeroes. While the actual information may not make much sense to you and me as words, that's what they're called. Every number that goes into the processor to be crunched is a word, and every instruction to the processor is made up of one or more words. The length of these words is limited to a certain number of bits, different processors being able to handle different sized words. A "32 bit" processor, then, can handle words up to 32 binary characters long, and a "32 bit" program talks to the processor in words 32 bits long.

When it comes to words, different processors have different vocabularies, if you will, referred to in the world of microprocessors as instruction sets. It's at the point where instruction sets differ that we get to the different kinds of processors. Today, there are mainly two kinds, with two divergent philosophies on CPU vocabulary.

The first kind of processor can trace its roots to the very first microprocessor built by Intel in the '70s. As these chips evolved from the first 4004 to today, the size and number of instructions they could handle grew. The family of processors that grew out of this trend is called CISC (pronounced "sisk"), for complex instruction set computing. The key to advancing

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New play offers a dose of laughter

Raleigh Little Theatre's production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" keeps the audience poisoned — with laughter.

CHRISTINE OLDFHAM
Staff Writer

I had better seats than the mayor. Those words kept running through my mind after the first intermission of "Arsenic and Old Lace," when I turned around and saw him sitting there, right behind me. But apparently he didn't like the play as much as I did, because he disappeared after the second intermission. Ah, well. Perhaps Mayor Fetzter had seen it before.

But I only found that distracting for about 30 minutes of the entire play, which is being performed on the Main Stage of Raleigh Little Theatre. The rest of the time I was closely paying attention so that I could report back to anyone who's interested in learning about the lure of elderberry wine.

Elderberry wine is very essential to the plot — apparently, its extreme scarcity makes it very enticing to most people, especially those of the male variety.

The two main characters of "Arsenic and Old Lace," Abby and Martha Brewster (Sheila Outhwaite and Saravette Trotter), had no trouble finding this out and then using it to their advantage. But first, a little ground work.

Abby and Martha aren't your usual temptresses — their elderberry wine isn't for some grand scheme of seduction. Abby and Martha are, in fact, more like your grandma. Old, kind of shabby and really just two sweet old ladies living with their insane brother in a nice old place in Brooklyn.

Yes, their brother Teddy (Rob Jenkins) is insane and provides for a lot of comic relief throughout the play. He thinks he's Teddy — Teddy Roosevelt, that is. His charging across the stage with the calvary is boisterously entertaining. Jenkins did a wonderful job being totally insane and grinned just like Roosevelt would.

But I'll get back to the two elderly aunts. These girls seem to be the epitome of generosity — they're out delivering soup to the sick neighbors and donating their time and money to worthy causes. They're even on the

roster of a society that lets rooms — only, they don't let rooms, they just have a gentleman in for dinner and a little of their elderberry wine and then send the caller on his way a little happier for having stopped by.

Or at least that's what the audience thinks. And their nephew, Morty, a dramatic critic, does too, until the fateful day he opens the window seat and there just happens to be a dead body in it, tucked safely away until the girls can have services. That elderberry wine they were serving? It wasn't just elderberry wine — it was Martha's special recipe, and it's just that that's where "arsenic" comes into the title.

The discovered body is when the hijinks start, and the play doesn't slow down from there. The role of Morty, played by Mark E. Britt, is overacted to the hilt — it was like Raleigh had its own Jim Carey for the evening. I can't say this is a bad thing, though, because Britt kept the audience rolling with his double takes. The one that sticks in my mind the most is when he jumps over the table to get to the window seat before his very confused fiancée does. He jumps exactly like a deer and leaves

the tablecloth swaying in the breeze. It was priceless, especially when you catch a glimpse of the expression on his face — one of terror and, I think, surprise that his body could actually propel him through the air like that.

So, while Morty is trying to keep his fiancée from discovering what's going on and keep his sweet, innocent old aunts from causing anymore trouble, he has to go to work. Being a dramatic critic takes time, you know. Unfortunately, while he's gone, his long-lost brother Johnny shows up (with another occupant for the window seat), and things really get going.

There's a reason "Arsenic and Old Lace," first performed in 1941, is still being produced today. It will leave you laughing long after it's over, and the ending is especially funny. I won't say what it is — you have to go see for yourself. The play is being performed at RLTA 8 p.m. Feb. 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27 and 28. Performances are at 3 p.m. Feb. 22 and March 1. Tickets are \$10-17. Go and see it — and remember, run if anyone offers you elderberry wine!



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Changing lives

Inmate education received from NCSU professors

N.C. State professors are giving their time and knowledge to help make North Carolina a better and safer place to live. In correlation with local community colleges, NCSU professors are taking the books into local prisons.

Professors feel that educating inmates is proper and necessary for their survival outside of prison. NCSU professors are now in the process of conducting reading classes in local prisons.

If inmates can learn how to read, they will be given a second chance to prove themselves. Everyone deserves a second chance.

Local sociologists believe that if we can enter the prisons, give them some type of literary skills and prepare them for the working field, then we can give them a chance to correct their lives.

When similar techniques have been used in the prisons, reading levels increased within eight weeks, proving that the program works. One-quarter of inmates have some sort of disability. If professors can educate these individuals, they increase their survival rate outside of bars.

Perhaps the most important issue in the education of inmates is the chance of preventing inmates from returning. Turnover rate prevails in younger individuals and is high for middle-age inmates. When inmates have no learning or reading skills,

they can't find sufficient jobs. If they can't find jobs, they place themselves in the same situations that they were in prior to being arrested.

However, when professors educate and help inmates prepare for the work force, they give them a chance to find better jobs. Better jobs mean better pay, which means better living conditions. If ex-inmates can't afford to live in a decent neighborhood, they find themselves either in the slums or on the street. This raises the chances of returning to the same violent and unlawful activities that can put them back in jail.

Repetitive crime leads back to living and work-related conditions. If people find themselves with no money and nowhere to go, they risk the chance of repeating crimes in order to get what they need.

NCSU and others can make a change. We need to realize why the inmate count is so high, and why repetitive entry is even higher. Lack of education means no future.

Reading and comprehension levels need to be raised. We need to educate the non-educated. Some professors are taking the initiative to do so. Many professors are taking the books out of the college classrooms and into the prison cells.

Crossing over knowledge with those who need it will make our homes better and our streets safer. After all, no one should be deprived of the ability to read. No one deserves to be deprived of a meaningful and lasting education.

Serving Raleigh

N.C. State helps beautify the community.

It's your chance to help serve the community you live in. Raleigh is a pretty big place - and the 27,000 some people who make up the N.C. State community are a big part of it.

So, on March 28, students, faculty and staff will be drawn together by the Student Government and assisted by the Parks Scholars will be drawn together in a service day to beat all service days.

All the different organizations and individuals will be paired up with a non-profit agency or organization in the greater Raleigh area. Then, that morning they will report to Harris Field for registration and a short pep rally. Then, it's off to help Raleigh.

Raleigh is a wonderful community to live in - it has wonderful schools, great cultural opportunities, from

plays and symphonies to improvisational comedy and rock concerts. The people are friendly, the shopping and restaurants are great, and it's pretty easy on the eyes.

And it stays that way with the help of people like you.

So, come out and help Raleigh stay a great place to live, whether it be by painting a fence or planting a few flowers.

And remember, no good deed goes without its own reward.

Just like this, not only for the community, they give students a chance to interact with other students they normally wouldn't meet and give the NCSU community a chance to be seen positively by the public. And, this service project will end with a big party with more fun for everyone.

So, to get involved with Service Raleigh, contact Jennifer Lan at 755-1569 or jlin3@unity.ncsu.edu.

Campus Forum

There is no "white people prize"

It is my hope that the editors at Technician will see fit to publish at least a portion of this letter, seeing that I represent a portion of the N.C. State community whose views often go ignored - the white minority. There are so many things in Wednesday's paper to discuss, but I will try to be brief.

The article on the front page about the white supremacy forum left me speechless. While I do realize that this is an article that attempts to cover a news event, the bias that is present in the article is nonetheless unacceptable. A person would never expect to pick up the respected newspaper of a major university to see his race attacked and defamed; but maybe that just applies to non-white students. My bad. If Technician ever did an expose on why Asians are so good at math or why African Americans commit all the world's crime, there would justifiably be an uproar. So there should also be one when Technician reports and relishes an article spreading the same kind of unsubstantiated and prejudicial lies as seen above.

Assuming that whites can only achieve because of privilege is just

as bad as assuming that blacks cannot achieve on their own merits. Assuming that legacies and politics exist solely to hold minorities down is just as wrong as assuming that Asians can only do mathematics and engineering. I am not stupid, and I am not looking at the world with blinders on. I am just noticing that all of the discussions that were listed in said article were unsubstantiated, prejudicial lies and they were inappropriate for a newspaper that has of late been devoting itself to seeing instances of prejudice and discrimination on campus.

Start in your own backyard, Technician, and do not assume that because of our checkered past, the white race is open to defamation or prejudicial propaganda. No one deserves such treatment and the readers of your paper deserve much more than that. I am a white student here, and I will tell you right now that I have never been handed anything because of my race. If anything, I have had to work harder to boost my qualifications because I cannot be caught in the "positive" landslide of affirmative action. There was no legacy for me, there is no "White People's Prize" waiting in my mailbox and I know that I will never be president. Just because the world doesn't want to bestow preferential treatment on anything that is non-white and non-male doesn't mean that we are getting privilege. Maybe the playing field is more level than

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SCIENTISTS DISCOVER AN ENZYME TO STOP AGING -- WHAT CONSEQUENCES AWAIT?...



Another Gulf War?

MUHAMMAD AIY BALAGAMWALA Staff Columnist

Congress wants it... Bill Clinton wants it... Tony Blair wants it... Helmut Kohl wants it... Jean Chretien wants it... But do the people of Iraq need it? Blood is in the air and the United States and its allies are preparing for war against Iraq. The UN (read as the U.S.) is all flustered about Iraq refusing to allow UN weapon inspectors into the country. It is believed that Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi dictator, is producing weapons of mass destruction. Thus, his refusal to let in inspectors to his presidential palaces is viewed as a sign of guilt. Hence, the U.S. and its allies are preparing for a showdown. Despite protests from China and Russia, we are readying our forces for war.

In 1990, when Iraq invaded Kuwait, the U.S. and its allies jumped into the fray and succeeded in driving back the Iraqis from Kuwait. However, in this process about 88,000 tons of bombs were dropped on Iraq. After the defeat,

Iraq was slapped on the wrists, and the UN imposed sanctions. The economic blockade prevented the Iraqi people from recovering from the war. It is estimated that about a million Iraqis, including some 750,000 children under the age of 10, have been killed as a result of these sanctions. Approximately 5,000 children are dying every month, and the majority of the country's population is living in semi-starvation. The following account by George Capaccio, published in the Nov. 23, 1997 issue of the Baltimore Sun, really describes the predicament of the Iraqi people:

"When you picture Iraq, what do you see? Visions of Saddam Hussein? Hidden containers of anthrax and nerve gas? SCUD missiles on the alert? Having visited Iraq last spring, this is what I see: dignified Muslim women begging on Baghdad street corners, young boys hawking cigarettes and kerosene to help support their families, a father running with his child into a hospital emergency

room because there are so few functioning ambulances and a middle-aged man with diabetes standing by a hospital entrance, pleading with me for insulin.

Inside the hospitals, I see blood and urine stained mattresses; broken air conditioners and light fixtures; dimly lighted pediatric wards; mothers tending their children day and night; and hundreds of children waiting for medicine that never comes. This is what several years of sanctions have done to this once prosperous country. This is the picture you won't see on the 6 o'clock news."

The above excerpt shows us just how grim the situation is in Iraq. Who is to blame for that situation? Is it those poor civilians who are forced to starve, whose homes were destroyed by American bombs; those who have no say in the actions of its leadership? Still reeling from the effects of the Gulf War, from sanctions imposed by the UN and from a military

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The evil morning people

BRETT WETZEL Staff Columnist

Not many people like getting up in the morning, particularly when they are in college. But, there is one strange breed that still can be found even in the nocturnally weighted habitat of the college campus. This breed is dangerous and aggressive and often threatens the post-noon slumber so many of us cherish.

At 6:30 a.m. this creature's eyes instinctively snap open. Unlike many of us, its eyes do not open only to immediately shut again -- they stay open. To these people, the "morning people," an alarm is a convenient "back-up." Many do not even know what the snooze button

does. Never failing to brush, shower and even floss, morning people are particularly adept at putting things away after they use them and completing their homework before they play. And this inexorable store of energy presents the primary danger of morning people. Cursed with vibrant and cheer their whole lives, morning people cannot understand those-of-the-early-afternoon. Morning people know their own ability to thrive in their environment and cannot understand why the others seemingly struggle.

Procrastination, the very torch that burns so proudly for our generation, is the bane of morning people, and it is their instinct to stamp out

seemingly inexhaustible amount of energy, morning people are particularly adept at putting things away after they use them and completing their homework before they play. And this inexorable store of energy presents the primary danger of morning people. Cursed with vibrant and cheer their whole lives, morning people cannot understand those-of-the-early-afternoon. Morning people know their own ability to thrive in their environment and cannot understand why the others seemingly struggle.

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Seperate but not equal

LARRY MARSHBURNE Staff Columnist

February is Black History Month. Now that's a topic I can talk about -- for two reasons. First, I was born in Eastern North Carolina in 1950, so I got to see a lot of black history back when it wasn't history. Second, as a student here at N.C. State, each day when I come to school, I get reminded of what it was like when Southern education was still segregated.

My senior year at Dunn High School was about the last year that Harnett County schools were segregated. There were a few blacks at my school, but we were

segregated and we knew it.

At least, we thought we were attending a segregated high school. In those days, the politically correct phrase was "freedom of choice." "Freedom of choice" meant that students could choose to go to whichever school they wanted -- either to the school where all the blacks went or to the school where all the whites went. We whites all chose to go to the white school, so the black school remained totally black. There were, however, a few blacks with the courage to cross the line, so there were a few blacks in my school. But just like things are here, there were very few blacks in any classes I attended.

I now know that we may not have been segregated; we were diversified. Of course, we were fairly naive Southerners, both black and white, so we didn't appreciate our diversity.

How, you might ask, could I call a segregated educational institution diversified? It turns out that it's not hard. First you look around the campuses of the state supported schools in North Carolina, and you realize that it now takes very few blacks on a campus for the campus to qualify as diversified.

Then you get a little creative. You count women, and we had an even

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you've heard about, but punish this Republican Guard."

McCain and other senators said Congress would support military action against Iraq, although several urged Clinton to delay ordering air strikes until after lawmakers return to Washington on Feb. 23 so legislators can debate the issue and enact a formal resolution of support. Several lawmakers also said that the administration had not adequately prepared the public for the consequences of military action, including U.S. casualties and civilian casualties on the ground in Iraq.

Clinton is scheduled to deliver a televised address to the nation on the Iraq situation Tuesday. The following day, Cohen, Berger and Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright will go to Columbus, Ohio, to explain U.S. policy at Ohio State University.

As U.S. warnings continued, a technical team dispatched by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan was in Baghdad Sunday to survey so-called "presidential sites" that Saddam Hussein has put off limits to U.N. inspectors. Richard Butler, the U.N.'s chief weapons inspector, said on CNN's "Late Edition" that the survey teams were sent to determine "whether there can be some few places in Iraq - namely about eight palaces - which will be inspected in a special way."

"That doesn't mean an ineffective inspection, but a special way that shows sensitivity to Iraq," Butler said. "And if a solution on that basis is agreeable to the (U.N. Security) Council, maybe we've got a diplomatic solution."

But Cohen dismissed the survey idea as "another indication of the dust that is raised by Saddam Hussein." He said he had seen "no proposal" for a diplomatic solution that would satisfy U.S. demands for "full, unrestricted access" for the U.N. inspectors.

Treasury auctions

Wake up the kids; \$35 billion is up for grabs again.

JOHN M. BERRY
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Interest rates eased a bit last week even while the Treasury was selling \$35 billion in new securities in its quarterly re-funding, and the market is expected to be calm for the near future while policy-makers and traders watch for signs that the Asian financial crisis is affecting the U.S. economy.

With the Presidents' Day holiday Monday, the weekly U.S. Treasury bill auction will be postponed until Tuesday, when \$7.25 billion each in three- and six-month bills will be offered. In when-issued trading Friday, they yielded 5.22 and 5.28 percent.

Drugs run in migrants

Officials in Central America fear an increasing number of immigrants are being used to smuggle drugs over borders.

LOS ANGELES TIMES

BOGOTA, Colombia - The migrant group that has worried authorities here the most is the 18 Nigerians arrested at Bogota's international airport nearly a year ago, they said.

"They each had up to 14 pellets of cocaine in their stomachs," the law enforcement official said.

Colombians said they fear that the number of African migrants used as "mules" is increasing. Migrants who are not carrying drugs are routed through northern Colombia and taken by sea to Panama, where they enter the Central American migrant stream. There, they connect with an underground railroad that has operated since the civil wars of the 1980s and continues to bring migrants without immigration papers to the United States.

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some people would like, and they are crying foul because their political agenda isn't given more weight than before. In an equal world, the strongest argument wins, and the argument that there is some worldwide conspiracy that exists in the 1990s and beyond is the pipe dream of the people who don't like how the game is played and are now taking their ball and going home.

The second part of Technician on Wednesday that is worthy of comment was the forum letter by Aaron Singh, decrying the use of profanity at sporting events. The only thing to say about that is: If you want quiet etiquette, go to Chapel Hill. The student section has brought the matter of creative vulgarity to a fine art, and we will not stop it for one person whose ears are burned by the fun. I'm sure there are some seats available with the quiet alumni. If you don't want to hear it, then don't sit on the front row. Leave those spaces for true fans that any athlete would love to hear cheering for him or her against the opponents. I'm sure that Sheca Cotton's mother has heard it all before, and I, for one, can't wait until she joins us in cussing the smurfs when her son is wearing the red and white of the Pack.

I am sure that I am not the only one who feels this way on these points, and it is only fair that equal time be given. Oh, and James CURA, that was a great article in the ESA. Keep up the good work.

Babble

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CISC chips is to add new words to the vocabulary and increase the length of the words. Today's Pentiums are 32 bit chips, so they can run a 32 bit OS like Windows 95 or OS/2 and can understand over 400 instructions. When Intel introduced MMX (the Multimedia Extensions) it added 70 or so new instructions to the Pentium's vocabulary and called the result the Pentium Pro. On the Pro, the MMX extension was included on a separate chip entirely but was incorporated into the Pentium II.

CISC chips are produced by several companies, the largest of which, of course, is Intel. Other chipmakers include AMD, Cyrix and National Semiconductor, but these mostly produce chips based on the Intel designs for PC clones. The big difference is that the others don't spend a lot on advertising with dancers in shiny foil jumpsuits.

Next week, in Part II, I'll write about CISC's competition in the microprocessor race, RISC and upcoming developments in CPUs that may make your shiny new computer seem sluggish in comparison.

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Chad Messer
Junior, English

Editor's note: The length requirement was waived to allow for a more complete response.

Students should yell at games

This letter is in response to the editorials about behavior at Reynolds Coliseum. I think N.C. State fans are the proudest in the ACC, yet we always have the same old problem — we don't win too many games. When a nationally ranked team comes into our home stadium, such as Carolina or Duke, we are already the underdogs. One of the only advantages the Pack possesses is the fact that we are playing at home. Being able to make as much noise as possible and yell at the players is part of the game. Carolina players aren't whining about it (although they usually do), the only ones crying are people who are a little too easily offended. I camped out both nights along with many others, and I think I have the right to sit in my seat, yell and get rid of some of that built-up school aggression from the previous week. If someone has a problem with it, I don't care. If some alumni think that I'm rude, I don't care because they were doing the exact same thing fifteen years ago, and others will be doing the exact same thing 15 years from now.

Todd Peterson
Sophomore, Psychology

NCSU Bookstores African-American History Celebration: The Spiritual in Poetry and Song

Mon. Feb. 16
Professor Lenard Moore
Poet and Visiting Lecturer
N.C. State University, Department
of English Catalyst Bookshop -
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

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Dr. Paul Bitting, Associate
Professor NCSU, Department of
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Fri. Feb. 20
Dr. John David Smith, Professor
NCSU, Department of History
Catalyst Bookshop - 11:30 a.m. -
12:30 p.m.

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higher percentage of women in our high school than we do here at NCSU. Next, you count the people who are not heterosexual. You don't actually count them; a simple estimate of the number of non-heterosexuals will suffice. So you just use some politically correct statistic of say, 10 percent, and just presume that in 1968 all 10 percent were still in the closet. I believe none have yet come out of the closet, but who wants to argue with statistics when we're busy proving diversity?

We had no Asians in our school, but that was primarily a problem of our ignorance. The school system's powers that be simply hadn't known that we could count Asians and claim that we were diversified. Had we known, we would surely have attempted to recruit some. There were still plenty of people at the time who thought we were doing a good thing in Vietnam, so we had an available untapped market. I can just see it now: lots of little Vietnamese children attending segregated North Carolina schools and learning how much we cared about them.

Segregation in the South, and much of the United States, has always been a black/white issue. Anyone who believes that Asians aren't counted with whites in any black versus white dispute needs to think back on the memory of the Koreans who tried to protect their property when South Central L.A. burned.

We didn't have any Latinos yet, either. Again, they would have been routinely assigned to the white schools and could be counted for the sake of diversity, but they would have been useful for those who wanted to maintain black/white segregation.

So all those years I thought I had lived with segregation and then with integration, but that shows how little I know about diversification.

Anyway, I started this column talking about Black History Month, and I sidetrack myself with the history of the justification of the status quo. Or maybe that's a lot of what much of black history is about in North Carolina and in the United States -- the justification of the

status quo.

Before I end this column, I will talk a bit about black history.

In high school, each year a new stream (or trickle) of blacks would arrive at our school. They would keep to themselves, and many presumably returned to the black school the next fall. There were none of the horrors that one sees on the made for television movies, but I'm sure it must have been tough. We whites simply thought it must have been horrible to have to leave all of ones friends and go every day to school with a bunch of white strangers.

Most of us whites really tried to believe that the blacks were getting an equal but separate education in the equal but separate and totally black Harnett High School. I might still have believed it today if the wave (remember that it was a very small wave) of blacks that arrived my junior year had not included James McNair.

My group of friends in high school was self-proclaimed hell raisers, but we were mostly college bound and took our studies at least somewhat seriously. James fit right in. He was friendly, intelligent and witty. He worked harder than the rest of us. And his 10 years of education in an equal but separate and totally black school left him totally unprepared for the academic demands of an Eastern North Carolina white high school. That year, he made four Fs and one D. He made the D because Coach Smith refused to give an F to the one person in our U.S. History class who actually did the work and took school seriously.

James returned in the fall, but I was a senior, and James spent more time with his new classmates, juniors. I graduated, and I'm pretty sure James graduated the following year.

I was on the wrong side then when the issue was equal but separate education and freedom of choice. Today it's hard at times to see which side to be on when the topics are things like affirmative action. I do know which side the believers in equal but separate education and racial segregation would be on. I was on their side thirty years ago. Regardless of the wonderful arguments I hear today against affirmative action and such -- I heard wonderful arguments thirty years ago -- I'm on the other side now.

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dictatorship, the people of Iraq are now bracing up for Gulf War II.

If 88,000 tons of bombs were dropped in 1990, this time around it will be more than that. And even if the U.S. drops bombs on these innocent civilians, will it solve the problem? The problem here is not the people of Iraq; the problem here is the stubbornness of their leader. So, we have one more war, we kill a couple million more, but will we stop Saddam? I think not.

We will continue to live the life he is living — one of luxury and pleasure — while we taint our hands, our minds and our souls with the blood of innocent civilians, women and children. Should we neglect all these things and count them as casualties of war? Should we neglect our consciences, forget our efforts to promote human rights and allow all these people to get slaughtered. Will we be able to sleep at night, knowing that somewhere in the world people are being killed, in cold blood, by bombs dropped by our own military? I know I wouldn't be able to.

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relaxation, idleness and excessive rest everywhere.

Morning people do not realize how out of their element they are on a college campus. Many of us bearing the "torch of sloth" will relinquish it only upon the rite that forces us away from campus and into a grim cubicle-infested environment. Then, after graduation, many will try to emulate the ways of the dawn that have always been morning people's nature. But here, on campus, it should be held high and occasionally lowered to burn the asses of those beasts that turn on the lights and innocently chant "Oh, I can't believe you were still asleep!"

Brett is a firm believer in the "momentum principle" of sleep and believes all perky people are tools of the devil.



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