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## Wolfpack closes in on NCAA Final Four

■ The Wolfpack's third consecutive victory over Old Dominion puts State one win away from the Final Four.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor



State's LySchale Jones focuses on defense.

Dayton, Ohio — Who said that N.C. State basketball was done for the season?

On the heels of a 55-54 win, the NCSU women's basketball season got a few extra days on Saturday afternoon, as the Wolfpack advanced to the NCAA Regional Finals for the first time in history.

State's win was its third in as many meetings with the Monarchs of Old Dominion and leaves it one win from the Final Four.

"Our team played hard the entire game," Yow

said after the game. "We stayed with it and did great things. Words can't explain how it feels and what it means."

State took control early, outscoring the Monarchs, 8-3, over the first five minutes.

Holding on to that lead for most of the first half, the Wolfpack took an advantage into the locker room, despite being saddled with 10 first-half fouls.

State's foul trouble not only sent the Monarchs to the line 15 times in the first 20 minutes, but also sent State veterans Chastity Melvin and LySchale Jones to the bench early.

Melvin and Jones, who came into the season as the Pack's only returning starters, left the line-up with just over 10 minutes to go in the half, and the Pack up by one point.

Over the next 10 minutes, the Pack team, led by the back-court duo of Tynesha Lewis and Kristen Gillespie, handled the full-court pressure of Old Dominion, pushing the lead to as high as eight points — the highest of the game for either team.

"We are fortunate to have faced [having Melvin and Jones out] a couple of times in the past games, so we knew we could hold on until we got them back," Yow said. "Everyone on the floor picked up the slack, and we made it through."

In those 10 minutes, Summer Erb, returning to the Dayton Arena for the first time since playing in the Ohio High School State Championships, scored nine of her game-high 17 points, while sophomore Nailah Wallace added seven.

At the start of the second half, momentum's name was Aubrey Eblin. The ODU guard sank three consecutive three-point attempts, helping the Monarchs tie the game at 33 points with just under three minutes ticked off the clock.

State answered an eventual ODU lead by holding the Monarchs scoreless over an eight-



Freshman Tynesha Lewis scored 13 points to lead State to the win.

## Council looks at hot topic

■ N.C. State group takes a firm stance on affirmative action.

DANIELLE STANFIELD  
Assistant News Editor

A motion was made and passed for N.C. State's Council on the Status of Women to formulate a statement on affirmative action at a meeting Friday.

"We need to make a strong statement to insure that we have a fair and diverse campus," Harriette Griffin, a council member, said.

Another member said the council needs to pay special attention to the language in its statement and how important the council's view on affirmative action is.

"Statements by the council and other groups would help impact the direction the chancellor wants to take on the issue," Leslie Dare, assistant equal opportunity officer, said.

"As individuals, we can put our vote where it counts to support affirmative action," Carolyn Mandon, a council member, said. "As snowflakes we're not much, but as a whole we can stop traffic."

Since affirmative action has been under attack across the nation, and universities have been the target, council members agreed they need to make a strong, moral statement on affirmative action.

"Most people have no idea what they're talking about [when talking about affirmative action]," Cheryl Branker, council chair, noted. "Their ideas are based on what others have said."

The council will invite Assistant Provost for Equal Opportunity Joanne Woodard to clear up confusion on the exact meaning of affirmative action before they make a statement. They will also discuss their position at their April 17 meeting.

Another item discussed was the Equity for Women Award. The award is given in recognition of service toward the goal of women's equity.

The recipients include faculty, staff and students. This year's nominees include: Susan Blanchard, associate professor in agricultural engineering; Nora Lynn Finch, assistant director of athletics; Joan Little, assistant in cooperative extension service; Frances Richardson, emeritus professor in agricultural engineering; Laura Severin, director of women's and gender studies; Debra Stewart, vice provost and graduate dean; and William Weston, interim associate

## Candidates prepare for election

■ The elections for Student Government offices are approaching quickly.

J. PIPOLO  
Staff Writer

Student government elections are one week away.

Election sites will be open for voting on March 30 and 31. Voting locations include the Atrium, Fountain Dining Hall, University Student Center, Tunnel Inn, Shuttle Inn, Syme C-Store and Case Athletic Center. The hours for each voting station will vary as the sites open and close on a regular schedule.

Major positions in contention include student body president, Student Senate president, student body treasurer and chief justice.

The candidates for student body president are Andrew Payne and Jenny Chang. The candidates for student senate president are Kris Larson, Alexis Mei and Megan Callahan. The lone candidate for student body treasurer is Ed Amerson, and the only candidate for student chief justice is Jamie Brown.



A student votes in a past election.

The above candidates will participate in public debates three times before elections.

The first debate will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Pi Kappa Alpha. The second will be held Wednesday at noon in the Brickyard, and the final debate will be held Wednesday night in Fountain Dining Hall. All of the debates will be open to the public.

Other positions up for election include student center president and senior class president. There are also 43 candidates for 45 Student Senate positions, with an excess of candidates in several colleges and not enough in others.

A complete list of all candidates will soon be online. The official Web page for the election is [http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/stud\\_govt/election/](http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/stud_govt/election/).

## Group builds lunar robot

■ NCSU enters a robotics competition to construct a lunar habitat.

ALLISON BALLARD  
Staff Writer

The problem, presented by NASA, is to construct a biosphere on the moon using a remote-operated lunar vehicle.

The solution is being worked out by a group of N.C. State engineering and design students, as well as teams from other universities, for the Lunar Robotic Construction Competition. The competition will be held at the Space '98 Conference in Albuquerque, N.M. between April 26 and 30.

The idea has sparked excitement for the students responding to NASA's inquiry.

"Space is an area that can stir up everyone," Jason Janet, doctorate student in electrical and computer engineering and long-time advisor to the project, said.

NCSU's answer is Thumper, a tele-operated vehicle, named for the noise it makes on a hard floor. It will off-load itself from the lunar-lander, wait for habitat modules, unload equipment, drag and position the modules, lift and place a containment shield over the habitats and then excavate and fill the shields with lunar soil. The soil will act as insulation and protection from solar radiation. This is all done before the astronauts arrive on the moon.

NCSU students have been working on this project since 1996, when an earlier version of Thumper was entered in the competition. That year, the team finished third.

To improve NCSU's standings, efforts were stepped up last fall in preparation for next month's competition. This semester, around 40 students have been working with the group, called HELIOS — Habitat Exploration Leaders in Outer Space. Students have sacrificed much to get ready for the competition.

"I'd say I spend about 75 to 80 percent of my free time working on this," Rob Bledsoe, a junior in electrical engineering, said.

Unlike other schools, HELIOS' entry will be completely designed and built by students.

One group of students has constructed the lunar-lander, called Olympus, that will have an extendable ramp to help off-load equipment and solar energy collection panels. Another group has designed and built Oasis, the habitat and containment system.

A third group is responsible for planning a 15-minute presentation explaining the group's vision to judges. This will include a video using computer animation to illustrate how Thumper, Oasis and Olympus would function on the moon.

In addition to the presentation, the competition will involve a test of Thumper and the other prototypes built one-twelfth of

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## Monday IN BRIEF



### Nominations sought for award

The Jackson Rigney International Service Award was established to recognize faculty or staff who have at least five years of service and have achieved distinction in promoting international understanding through their teaching, research and public service.

The award, which consists of a plaque and a check for \$500, is sponsored by the Eta Chapter of Sigma Iota Rho, the international studies honor society, and the Office of International Programs.

Nominations should include the nominee's name, position, departmental address, dates of appointment at N.C. State and a brief description of achievements. Supporting letters from two additional individuals familiar with the nominee's work should be included. Nominations should be sent no later than March 23 to Dr. Ed Erickson at Campus Box 8110. For more information, call Erickson at 515-3274 or e-mail him at [ed\\_erickson@ncsu.edu](mailto:ed_erickson@ncsu.edu).

### Poetry contest deadline extended

North Carolina poets now have a few extra days to submit entries for the annual N.C. State poetry contest. The deadline has been extended until March 23.

Contest winners will be announced April 14 at the NCSU Poetry Festival.

To enter, submit two copies, double-spaced, of no more than three previously unpublished poems.

Entries should also include a cover sheet with the poet's name, address, phone number and titles of the poems. The poet's name should not appear on the titled manuscript.

NCSU's English department employs a number of poet faculty members, many of whom have published.

Send entries to April Lynn, Poetry Festival, Department of English, Campus Box 8105. For more information, call 515-4109.

### NCSU opens award-winning Web site

A new Web site launched at N.C. State gives quick and detailed information on food safety. The site — located at <http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/foodsafety/agentinfo> — is the brainchild of Melissa Taylor, a food safety education and communication specialist with the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service at NCSU.

"Our goal was to design a site where you don't need a Ph.D. to find the information you're looking for," Taylor said. "All you have to do is click on the food group you're interested in, and you'll automatically be linked to pages with the most current, comprehensive research findings and safety advice for that food." In a recent review of more than 200 Web sites by the Tufts University Nutrition Navigator, the NCSU-based site earned perfect scores for timeliness, accuracy and depth of information provided, placing it in the top six of all sites reviewed.

## OUTSIDE



# Robotics

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their actual size. HELIOS has one hour to complete the assigned tasks, including 45 minutes to fill the containment shell with lunar soil.

To accomplish this goal, the group working with Thumper has added extendable arms that are retracted while digging and are then extended to dump the soil into the top of the containment shell.

On Sunday, Thumper was tested in the "sandbox," built to simulate competition conditions.

Thumper did great. "This is the first time we've got everything together," John Colthar, a junior in electrical and computer engineering, said.

With a little over four weeks left before the competition, HELIOS still has much work to do. Colthar and Terri Buchanan, a senior in electrical engineering, need to practice "driving" Thumper. The motor to extend the ramp on the lunar-lander needs to be installed.

Thumper also needs protection from the sand that gets in its gears.

Back-up circuit boards need to be built. "If one breaks, another one can be popped in, and we can continue with the competition," Buchanan said.

According to the team, they must be prepared for anything. "Something strange is always coming up," Colthar said.

"We are up against some tough schools," Janet said. Stanford and the University of Washington, which won first place in 1996, are among the schools that will be competing against NCSU. "But we are extremely proud of what we've done," Janet said.

The contest, sponsored by NASA and the American Society of Civil Engineers, is designed to reflect tasks and concerns that engineers would really face in completing this kind of project. Students must consider what would actually be possible on the moon, work with representatives from a variety of disciplines and raise money for the project. The Student Senate is helping to sponsor the project.

"The students are really running the show. It is a result of their design and efforts," William Allen, a faculty advisor to HELIOS, said.

"I'd love for us to win."

# Game

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minute stretch. In that time, State shifted the six-point deficit to a six-point, 51-45 lead with just five minutes left in the game.

With a 53-49 lead, and just over a minute left in the game, Monarch center Nyree Roberts was called for an intentional foul, giving Melvin two shots at the line, and the Wolfpack the ball back after the State center sank one of two shots.

Old Dominion's All-American Ticha Penicheiro nailed an off-

balanced three-point shot with 17.7 seconds to bring the lead within two points.

With seven seconds showing on a stopped clock, Gillespie sank one of two free-throws for the Pack.

On the defensive end, State had the sense to foul the Monarchs, State's fifth of the half.

Roberts put in a missed three-point attempt from Penicheiro off of the in-bounds, but the basket left the Wolfpack up by one point, advancing State to the Elite Eight for the first time.

State will play the University of Connecticut on Monday with the winner advancing to the Final Four in Kansas City, Missouri.

# Women

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dean of undergraduate studies.

The award will be presented as part of the NCSU professional development conference for women, "Celebrating the Power of Women," at the luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 30 at the McKimmon Center.

Currently, the conference is open only to NCSU faculty, staff and students. The council discussed whether to accept members from other colleges, such as Peace or Meredith in the conference.

"There is value in staying like you've been, but there is still value in growing," Branker said.

Also on the agenda was a follow-up on the last Speak Out. The Speak Out is an open forum for faculty, staff and students to speak about women's concerns on campus. Matters such as child care information and ways to make NCSU more "family friendly" were brought to the council's attention.

Many Speak Out participants wanted the council to make average rates of childcare opportunities in the area easily accessible.

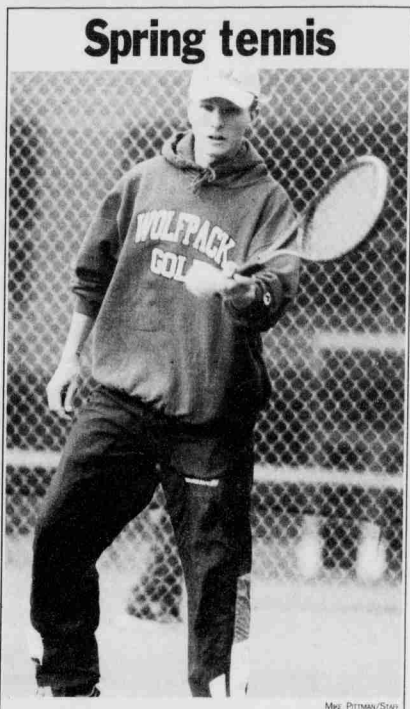
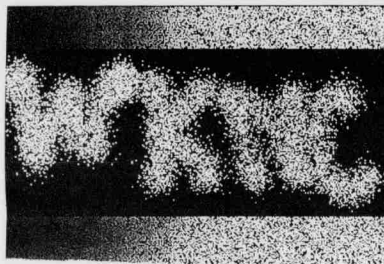
"We're already doing it, it's just that people don't know," Branker said.

Instead, Branker said they need to brainstorm ways to get people knowledgeable of the information they do provide.

"We need to state that we're a watchdog group. We make recommendations but we have no power otherwise."

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Jon-Are Larson, a member of the Wolfpack golf team, partakes in a cross-training activity by playing tennis Sunday afternoon. Larson is a freshman in business management and has a handicap of about one.



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N.C. State's win on Saturday was the women's first ever in the regional semifinals in the NCAA tournament.

# Sports

Monday, March 23, 1998

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## State wins two

■ Baseball wins two out of three against Virginia.

TIM HUNTER  
Staff Writer

Two out of three ain't bad.

The N.C. State baseball team won two games over the Virginia Cavaliers over the weekend, before dropping the second game of Sunday's double-header.

The Cavs took advantage of an eight-run third inning to cruise to a victory in the second game of Sunday's double header, 9-7.

"I think it's a tribute to them and how hard they played," Coach Elliot Avent said of the Cavaliers. "They came out and played very hard. They have some great pitchers."

UVA sent 13 batters to the plate while collecting five doubles and a homerun to take an insurmountable 8-0 lead in the third. State used three pitchers in the inning to get the final out.

State wasn't about give up, however, scoring five runs in the fourth to close the gap to 8-5.

UVA struck back, adding an insurance run in the fifth to increase the lead to 9-5. The Pack scored two more runs in the seventh inning on a two-run homer from Brad Piercy to provide the final score.

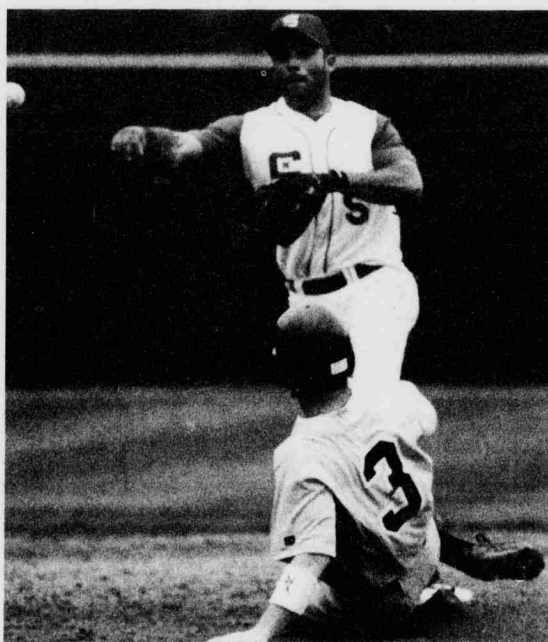
State's record improved to 18-6 and 5-2 in the ACC, while UVA dropped to 14-9 and 1-7.

The loss was State's first home loss of the season, and only the fourth home loss during Avent's tenure.

The first game of the twin bill proved to be the more exciting of the two.

The tying run for the Cavaliers was thrown out at the plate for the third and final out of the game, culminating a wild finish. The throw to the plate by third baseman Josh Ballard allowed State to escape with the win, 6-5.

"Our pitchers made some good pitches in key situations," Avent said. "We just need to keep playing tough defense."



The Pack opened up its ACC home schedule this weekend with its series against Virginia. The Pack ran out of steam in the second game of Sunday's double-dip.

UVA had two men on base and the winning run at the plate when the Cavs hit a single to center field. After one runner scored from third, junior Julian Gonzalez was waved home. Fortunately for State, Gonzalez was beaten by the relay throw.

UVA left a total of 13 batters on base for the

game. Righthander Bubba Scarce picked up his fourth win of the year for State. Senior Jake Weber hit a two-run homerun in the first inning to give State an early 2-0 lead. The homerun marked the 300th hit and 200th

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## Where's the beef?

■ The track stars that make UNC-State competitions great were absent this weekend at Chapel Hill.

JONATHAN NOEL  
Staff Writer

If you were looking for the stars, it was not the day.

With the Raleigh Relays looming just six days away, the UNC 10-Team Invitational was lacking the presence of big-performance athletes normally associated with a N.C. State-UNC-CH track show-down.

The meet was used as a hard workout and a chance for both teams to develop their depth against some weaker competition.

"Next week's supposed to be a real big meet," Cordell Smith. "Raleigh Relays is supposed to have like 2000 entries."

Despite 11 Carolina All-Americans and six State All-Americans taking the day off, the meet still delivered some outstanding performances.

Smith, defending ACC long-jump champion, had a busy day as he worked himself into shape for the decathlon. Smith began the day with a jump of 7.45 meters to win the long jump, then proceeded to win his 110 meters-hurdles heat, competed in the high jump, won a 400 meters heat and returned to the high jump.

"The long jump was pretty good," Smith said. "It kind of helped me out because the wind was blowing the way I was going."

Keone Covington won the

women's long jump with a 5.45 meters while sophomore Donte Hunt jumped 14.07 meters to take second in the triple jump.

Katie Sabino ran a strong 1500 meters race before being beaten in the last 100 meters by Carolina's Julie Smith.

"I'm happy with it. It went out so slow, though," Sabino said. "I guess I did what I was supposed to do. Laurie told me to go out slow and kick at the end. It didn't really work as I'd planned, but it was OK. Hopefully at conference I can out-kick her."

Last week's rainy, cold and quite unpredictable weather showed its ugly effects this weekend.

"I looked at today as another workout, because it's still pretty early," sprints and hurdles Coach Terry Reese said. "Some of the weather conditions we had last week cut back on some of the things I wanted to do with them. Around Thursday and Friday the weather kind of cleared, so I took advantage of those days and worked them out pretty hard. Today I'm seeing the effects of those hard workouts."

State's best will be ready next week after a restful weekend at Chapel Hill.

"I'm kind of pleased with some of the things I've been seeing," said Reese. "I'm really looking forward for them looking good at the Raleigh Relays. The plans are for them to really start running good next weekend on because conference is in three and half weeks."

## EAGL bronze

■ West Virginia takes first at this year's EAGL championships.

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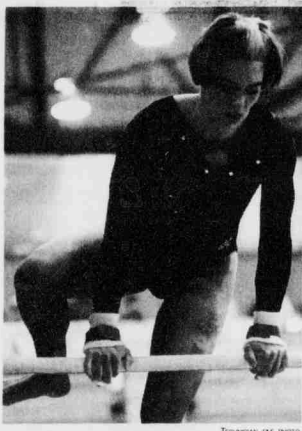
The Mountaineers of West Virginia parlayed their strong performances on uneven bars and balance beam into a victory at this year's EAGL championships. Their score of 195.500 outpaced the next-closest school, New Hampshire, by nearly two points. UNH finished with a 193.850.

Despite taking first place honors on the balance beam as a team, the Pack took third place overall with a score of 193.825, 25 hundredths out of second place.

West Virginia far outclassed their opponents on the uneven bars, traditionally one of the tougher events. The Mountaineers posted a score of 49.225, over five tenths higher than the next-highest score. They were nearly as strong on the balance beam, scoring a 48.950.

The only team they didn't best was the Pack, who is one of the strongest team in the country on the apparatus. The Mountaineers' Umme Salim took first place honors with a 9.925, but State filled the remaining two spots with Monica Berry and Jennifer Sommer. Both Pack gymnasts tied with a 9.900. It was Berry's third straight strong performance on the apparatus, following up her scores of 9.950 and 9.725 in previous weeks. For Sommer, it also marked a continuation of improvement on the beam. Since moving into the all-around competition at the New Hampshire meet, Sommer has seen her scores climb on the event, moving up from a 9.725 to a 9.900 over the weekend.

Floor exercise saw a four-way tie for first place, with the Pack's Ashley Hutsell placing in the group. Her score of 9.775 was matched by the Mountaineers' Shirley Lee and Nikki West, along with Amy Roberts' of New Hampshire.



Ashley Hutsell and the Wolfpack will have a week off before regionals.

Also taking home an award was Sommer in the aforementioned all-around competition, tying for third with a score of 39.000.

Their team score will help to improve their Regional Qualifying Score, which is crucial to their placement into the second rotation of the regionals competition, where the scores tend to be a bit higher. The performance of Kentucky will also be a big factor into the equation.

As of the EAGL championships, UK was a couple of tenths behind the Pack.

## State readies for UConn

■ The Wolfpack women look to head to their first Final Four, going head-to-head against UConn.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor

Dayton, Ohio—Geno Aurieremma has been there four times in the 1990's.

Kay Yow has never been there in 23 years of coaching.

The N.C. State/UConn match-up tonight in the East Regional Finals in Dayton, Ohio, will pit two of the most successful coaches in women's college basketball against each other.

Two coaches that enter the game from very different positions.

Aurieremma, UConn's 13-year head coach, knows all too well the pressure that comes with a Regional Final.

"This game means more than any other game. This is the game that gives you a shot at the national championship," said Aurieremma in yesterday's press conference. "I told the team that other than the National Championship, you don't celebrate more after any game."

The last time that UConn wasn't one of the last eight teams playing in March was during the 1992-93 season, when his 18-11 bowed out of the tournament in the first round.

In the four seasons since, Aurieremma has led the Huskies to two Final Fours and a national championship.

Yow, who has established herself as a living legend among the ranks of women's college basketball, has never progressed this far into the tournament.

Previous to Saturday's 55-54 win over Old Dominion, Yow's teams have been stopped in the Sweet Sixteen eight times in the 16 years that the NCAA has held a women's tournament.

Twice in the 1990's, State has advanced past the



Chasity Melvin got some help from Summer Erb in the low post against Old Dominion.

second round, including during the 1990-91 season, when Wolfpack guards Sharon Manning, Rhonda Mapp and Andrea Stinson led State to the ACC Championship.

That run at the national title was up-ended by a 82-71 loss in the Round of 16 to the Huskies. That year,

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### Wolfpack NOTES

### Florida State defeats tennis team

The men's tennis team dropped its first conference match of the year, 5-2, to the Florida State Seminoles in Tallahassee on Saturday.

Robert Bracone and Eric Jackson picked up N.C. State's only wins in the singles competition. Bracone, a junior from St. Petersburg, Fla., defeated FSU's Alex Golub, 7-6, 6-7, 6-3, at the No. 1 spot. Jackson, a five-5-11-inch freshman, beat Yvo Niks at the No. 3 spot for the Wolfpack, rounding out the singles wins.

Bracone has been ranked nationally throughout the year.

The duo of Bracone and Jackson also recorded the Wolfpack's only win in the doubles, defeating Golub and Ty Braswell in the No. 1 doubles match.

State dropped to 8-5 overall and 0-1 in the ACC. FSU improved 11-3 and 2-2.

The Wolfpack returns home on Wednesday to face the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets at 2 p.m.

### Women's tennis extends winning streak

The N.C. State women's tennis team won two matches over the weekend, extending its winning streak to six in a row.

On Sunday, the Wolfpack defeated UNC-Wilmington on the road to improve its record to 7-2, 2-0 in the ACC.

State swept all six singles matches and won two of three doubles matches.

Junior Nena Bonacic defeated UNC-W's Wendy Kulp, 6-1, 6-3, at the No. 1 spot for the Wolfpack.

Sophomore Brie Glover won her fourth consecutive match, downing Elizabeth Perry, 6-0, 6-0, at the No. 3 spot.

The Pack also defeated College of Charleston, 5-0, on Saturday in Raleigh. State won all five singles matches before the match was canceled due to rain.

No doubles were played because of the rain.

State will host UNC-Chapel Hill on March 25 at the NCSU tennis complex.

### Iowa dominates the NCAAs in wrestling

The N.C. State wrestling team finished 54th in this weekend's NCAA Championship in Cleveland, Ohio with 3.5 points.

State's best-ever finish was in 1993 when the Wolfpack finished seventh overall. The Wolfpack boasts 15 All-Americans since 1977.

Six Wolfpack wrestlers competed for State, including Billy Blunt, Kevin Boross, Lee Carroll, Tom Davis, James Kocher and Pierre Pryor.


The Iowa Hawkeyes stole the show, however, winning their fourth NCAA Championship in a row. The Hawkeyes have won six of the last seven team championships.

Four other ACC teams competed in the meet. UNC-Chapel Hill was the highest ACC representative in the tournament, finishing 32nd. UNC-CH was followed by Virginia at 37th and Maryland at 46th. Duke finished in a tie for last place with no points.

### GOLF


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## Wolf

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UConn advanced to their first Final Four.

And while there has been a lot of media attention paid to that "re-match," the coaches, in all their years of experience, have learned a very important lesson: The game will be decided in 40 minutes on the court, and whoever has the advantage there will be booking a flight to Kansas City.

UConn will call on their inside players to step up against All-American candidate Chastity Melvin and 6-foot-6 Summer Erb, who came up big for the Wolfpack with 17 points from the paint on Saturday.

Melvin has led the team all

season, not only in scoring and rebounding, but also in assists, making a statement as one of the nation's most complete players. While her contributions on Saturday didn't make many headlines, the senior quietly surpassed the 1,000 career rebounds mark, and put herself just 13 points away from 2,000 in her four-year career. Only one other Wolfpack basketball player, man or woman, has ever done so, when Gena Beasley finished her career with N.C. State in 1980.

Tyneshia Lewis's sensational freshman season year has carried over into the postseason. Averaging better than 13 points per game since the start of the ACC regular season, Lewis added 13 points, nine rebounds, and seven assists on Saturday.

The Huskies have prospered even without star senior Nykesha Sales, who went down with a ruptured

## Pack

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RBI for the senior all-star, the first player in NCSU history to achieve such a feat.

State took a 4-0 lead into the fifth inning before UVA mounted a comeback. The Cavs chipped away at State's lead, closing the gap to 5-4 in the seventh inning. Sophomore Craig Lee drove in the final and decisive run for the Wolfpack.

On Saturday, The Pack nine cruised to an easy victory over the Cavs.

Three players collected three hits apiece as State routed the visiting

Cavaliers 14-2.

Senior righthander Kurt Blackmon picked up his fifth win of the year, striking out nine batters in seven innings.

State received quite a scare in the game, despite the win. Junior Adrean Acevedo was hit in the face by a pitch, and had to be hospitalized. Acevedo suffered multiple broken bones on his face, and also received stitches.

The versatile junior college transfer, who had been one of the best hitters in State's lineup, will undergo surgery on Thursday.

State hopes to bounce back from Sunday's loss this Tuesday. The Wolfpack will take on the Richmond Spiders at Doak field at 3:00.

### ACC Baseball Standings

	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Florida State	7	0	23	7
Clemson	3	0	24	3
North Carolina	4	1	17	8
N.C. State	5	2	18	6
Georgia Tech	4	2	15	7
Duke	3	5	23	7
Wake Forest	2	4	16	8
Virginia	1	7	14	8
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The Pack took two from the Cavaliers this weekend at Doak Field. State's next game will be a home match-up with Richmond.

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## Real life politics in 'Primary Colors'



Travolta stars as Stanton, the progressive governor in 'Primary'.

■ If you go into 'Primary Colors' just for the laughs, you might come out with a lump in your throat.

MEGAN RILEY  
Features Editor

A southern governor runs for president alongside his strong-willed and demanding wife. His passion for people and life wins him high ratings in the polls. Then the scandals hit the newspapers. He's accused of having affairs with women and dealing in sleazy politics.

Sound familiar? "Primary Colors" starts out as a shameless exaggeration of President Clinton's campaign. John Travolta's character, Gov. Jack Stanton, has the same lust for life that runs Clinton into trouble. The movie has everything to expect out of a political insider — clever but corny dialogue, political innuendo jokes and cheesy pride-in-America moments.

However, midway through the comedy, it takes a jolting turn into a cynical commentary on politics in America. As the media reveals more of Stanton's unscrupulous actions and as Stanton's campaign workers investigate his opponent's immoral life, the characters become increasingly wary of politics. They see the presidential campaign heading in the same direction as many Americans fear today — a contest to see who can sensationalize each other's faults the most while ignoring the important issues of the country.

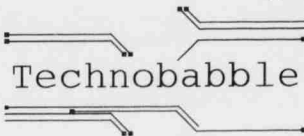
Travolta perfects Clinton's actions — the way he talks, moves and eats. At times you forget that you're looking at a movie star and not the president. However, the Elaine May script doesn't give Travolta much room to show his creative genius. This isn't a typical Travolta movie. In fact, the time we see him dance at a campaign party, he looks like a chicken.

The movie centers around the solid performance of Adrian Lester. He plays Stanton's campaign manager, Henry Burton, who naively believes in the American dream. He hopes that Stanton will be a unique president and do what is right for the American people.

Kathy Bates delivers the best performance of the movie. Politics literally drove her character, Libby Holden, crazy. Bates is hilarious as the outspoken woman who is, ironically, the most intelligent person in the story. With Bates' performance, as well as the satire of Southern life, "Primary Colors" works as a comedy.

At other moments, it seems as if the movie should have been left as the "anonymous" novel by Joe Klein. Even as it drags out over two hours and ten minutes, many important details of the story are brushed over — a classic case of information overload.

However, the message it delivers — that America needs to stop giving into the glamorized stories of sex and money and concentrating on the man for the job — needs to be sent out to a wide audience.



■ Part Two: Go speed modem, go speed modem, go speed modem!

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Staff Geek

Last week, I talked a bit about modems and how they work. This week, I'm going to look at how they work quickly. The high-end modems today are rated at 56k bytes per second (bps). These speeds are only achievable one way, though: by removing the slower analog lines between the modem and the phone company.

That is exactly what some Internet service providers have done. By sending digital signals to the routers over faster lines, they can use faster, more efficient protocols when sending data. This allows the transmission of data over normal lines from the ISP to its users to, theoretically, reach 56k bps speeds. This speed boost is only in one direction, though, since sending data the other way still has to go through the copper lines first. The 56k modems can only send data using the older standard 33.6k protocols.

After a merger of USR and 3Com, a major partner in the Rockwell K56 Flex technology, the two were on speaking terms for the first time. Now we have a new standard called V.90 (for reasons only the people that come up with modem standards could ever understand), which everyone should be able to live with. It's so new, however, that the first modems began shipping with V.90 capability only this month.

If you own a 56k modem already, there's no need to worry, since older 56k modems can be upgraded with what's called Flash ROM, to support the new standard. I said before that 56k modems can theoretically reach 56,000 bps speeds. There are several factors that can keep your transfer rates down.

For one, there is an imposed speed limit set by the FCC. In reality, the FCC limits the power output on such modems, so they can only reach around 53k bps.

Even so, very seldom will such a modem be pulled over for speeding. It's hard to speed, or even reach the limit, when traffic is backed up. If the network traffic is busy on the ISP's end, or the phone lines and routers themselves are swamped, it's likely that a modem will spend a good deal of time waiting.

Clutter on the roadway, too, can cause slowdowns. Line noise, poor quality wiring, and any number of other factors can cause errors in transmission over copper wires. And the more copper the data goes through the more room for errors. Errors slow down transmission, since the effected characters need to be resent or corrected by software on the receiving end.

Some frequent users may notice that their modem speed decreases over the time it is connected. This can be caused by the actual hardware of the modem heating up. Especially on faster and more compact modems heat is a major factor in performance.

It may pay to remember that if you have the fastest modem on your block, every one you dial into will be slower. Transfer speeds are determined by the slower of the two modems involved — like the chain and its weakest link. The speed of transmission is negotiated once the call gets connected — that's the source of the sound it makes when you first dial and make a connection. One modem will send out its mating call corresponding to the speed it prefers, and the other will respond. Once they agree on a speed they both like, the connection gets made. If you have a really good ear and can whistle, you may be able to, like one of my very geeky friends, call up a modem or fax machine and convince it that you are a modem.

So, with all the ways the world can slow you down, how can you speed up your Web surfing? There are a few things you can do to avoid the roadblocks I mentioned above.

First of all, make your calls at off peak times. During business hours and when people are coming home from work and school are the best times. If you're a night-owl, you're in luck — surfing is at its fastest in the wee hours of morning.

Also, as I have said before, surf efficiently. Whenever you can, turn off the graphics in your web browser and

## Squonk Opera to Stewart

■ Music, theater and humor combine to make Squonk Opera.

SHANNON GARLICK  
Special to Technician

What's the difference between Squonk Opera and your math teacher? They both yell in an indecipherable language, and you might not get what either one of them is trying to tell you. But, while you may be bored out of your mind during your math class, you will probably find yourself laughing uncontrollably at Squonk Opera.

This zany ensemble combines music, dance, singing, art and theater in ways you've only dreamed about (or maybe not yet, but you probably will afterwards). Formed to create opera as "universal artwork," the company has been redefining the genre since 1992. The show they are bringing to Stewart Theatre this Thursday is called "BigSmorgasbordWunderWerk."

Past Squonk shows are all "operas" with a twist. (For example, "Night of the Living Dead: The Opera.") "BigSmorgasbordWunderWerk" is a satire on operas in general, complete with elaborate costumes and singing in another language.

Another thing all Squonk shows have in common is huge, wonderful props. From giant Pegasus tricycles to person-size, moveable faces to enormous poseable hands, the props not only provide atmosphere, but music as well. The company clanks out rhythms with strap-on metal arms and plays strange instruments one-man-band



Squonk Opera delivers a combination of progressive rock, contemporary theater, giant puppetry, innovative props and a lot of humor. The Center Stage production will come to Stewart Theatre Thurs., March 26 at 8 p.m.

style. Even the piano is an ornately fashioned metallurgical masterpiece.

In addition to the show, members of Squonk will be teaching a class open to all students Thurs., March 26 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. The lecture/demonstration will cover the design and building of the props used in the show and will be taught by members of the band.

The fun begins Thursday at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. It is presented as a part of the Center Stage performing arts series, and the cost is \$6 for students.

For those of you who still are not convinced, you can check out Squonk's Webpage from Center Stage's homepage at [www.acs.ncsu.edu](http://www.acs.ncsu.edu), or you can see a mini-show by the company on the brickyard from 12:30 to 1 p.m. on Thursday, weather permitting.

Various organizations across campus have planned events to be held in conjunction with Human Rights Week.

**Mon., March 23**  
12:20 p.m. Brickyard  
Opening Ceremony Includes Chancellor Monteith's Proclamation of Human Rights Year and a public reading of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Signs of Christ.  
3-4 p.m. Campus Cinema, Witherspoon Student Center  
Discussion Morris Dees will discuss his work and the work of the Southern Poverty Law Center.

7:30 p.m. Campus Cinema, Witherspoon Student Center  
Keynote Lecture: "Teaching Tolerance" Morris Dees will discuss the Southern Poverty Law Center's educational project for teaching mutual respect and respect for human rights in a diverse nation and world.

**Tues., March 24**  
9:50-11:05 a.m. Green Room, University Student Center  
Forum Joan Sanoff, Wake Technical Community College, Department of Early Childhood, will lead a forum on topics that impact children and families. Brunch available.  
12:15-1:15 p.m. AACC, Room 356-A

Film: "The Road to Brown" The story of segregation and the brilliant legal campaign against it which helped launch the Civil Rights movement. It is also a moving and long-overdue tribute to a daring but little-known black lawyer, Charles Houston - "the man who killed Jim Crow."

12:40-2 p.m. Walnut Room, University Student Center  
Discussion: "Women and the Media." Film: "Redefining Liberation." Discussion lead by Corrie Willis, art student at Meredith College. Topics to be discussed include eating disorders, size discrimination, race, sexual orientation, and sexual violence.

3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Women's Center, Nelson Hall  
Discussion: "Abortion at Work: Ideology and Practice in a Feminist Clinic." Wendy Simonds. Simonds analyzes the ways in which abortion workers at a feminist clinic confront anti-abortion forces.

5-6:30 p.m. AACC, Room 375  
Discussion: "Human Rights Atrocities in Iraq" Rania Masri.

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## Editorials

### Women gain attention

■ The women's basketball team's success does well for the image of our university.

With its one-point victory over Old Dominion on Saturday, the women's basketball team survived to fight another day in the Women's NCAA Tournament. The Lady Monarchs were the No. 1 seed in the East and were heavily favored to win their match-up with the fourth-seeded Wolfpack.

But Coach Yow took a page out of the late Jim Valvano's coaching book, surviving to advance to Monday's showdown with Connecticut for the right to travel to the Final Four.

The success of the women's team at the national level does wonders for the image of N.C. State, both athletically and as a whole. There are millions of people across the country who will get a chance to see NCSU play for perhaps the first time ever, as most of NCSU's games aren't broadcast nationally. This will expose these people to the scrappiness and heart with which NCSU plays and perhaps win over

a few fans that otherwise wouldn't know about us.

The women's programs at NCSU in general are some of the strongest on campus. In addition to the women's basketball team, which led the conference throughout most of the season, several of the other women's teams have achieved great success in recent years.

The women's tennis team has won five straight matches as of this printing.

The women's cross country team has won 16 — count 'em — 16 ACC Championships in the past 20 years.

And the women's gymnastics team continues to make strides toward becoming one of the premier programs in the country.

Despite the fact that women's athletics still has not reached a level of parity with that of the men, these teams have helped to prove that women's athletics is not just a second-rate deal at NCSU, unlike some other schools in the conference. With the help of Sports Marketing and the athletic department, women's athletics will continue to gain popularity, both on campus and across the nation.



### The condiment conspiracies

BRETT WETZELL  
Staff Columnist

Somewhat, the marketing world has tricked you all, and you continue blindly on with your foolishness. Fallacies and myths abound in the world, but nowhere else are they more prevalent than in the kitchen. Brave consumers, I ask you this, do you really know why you have to buy squirtable mustard? Do you really eat hot dogs that often? Even that bulwark of elite mustard traditionalism, Grey Poupon, has left the elegant functionality of the glass jar for the squeezeable fashion of the plastic bottle. Why? Because some crappy brand of mustard, my hunch is French's, starting losing money and decided to market its mustard with the breakthrough edge, offering its product in a squirtable, plastic bottle. And of course, you all thought squirting mustard onto your bread and then spreading it was so much easier than, well, just spreading it.

Perhaps you all liked the added

feature of getting those pre-squirt dribbles of "mustard water" all over your bread, can't have that from a jar, can you? Maybe you enjoy violently shaking the mustard down to the top just to get it to squirt out? Or, just maybe, you were all victim of a nationwide marketing trend gone out of control. Now all mustard is squeezable, and if that's all they sell, it must be because it's better.

Awaken, consumers! Don't be fooled! Yet, the madness doesn't end with mustard. They even tried squirtable jelly! Thank god some of you have sense enough to realize that squeezing plasmatic bits of artificial grape through a tiny hole is just bad food physics. The squirtable jelly failed, but another beast quickly took its place.

Desperate for an edge in the cut-throat business of fake butter, the marketing gurus at I Can't Believe It's Not Butter ([www.thebutter.com](http://www.thebutter.com)) came up with this clever gem: spray-on butter. I don't know about you, but if I see this stuff being pumped

out of a little plastic bottle like hair spray onto my food, I think it's a pretty safe bet that it's NOT butter. But don't be surprised to see bottles of Parkay-Spray and Shedd's Spread-able Mist flooding the shelves soon.

You all want to try something new, if not but to just substitute high cholesterol for carcinogenic chemicals. The most devious plot has been going on for some time. Long ago, a clever agent for Aunt Jemima pancake syrup thought of a way to usurp that perennial powerhouse Mrs. Butterworth. Mrs. Butterworth has that cool bottle that lets you empty syrup from the head of Mrs. Butterworth herself, which you know you all love. How could Aunt Jemima compete? Why, they decided to make short, fat bottles that could fit in the microwave so you could heat that refrigerated syrup up without having to lay it on its side. Now, one naive executive likely mentioned something about the fact that pancake syrup doesn't need to be refrigerated. But that's

what you all used to believe.

As stealthily as syrup oozing onto your bacon, the agents of Aunt Jemima planted the idea into America that you should refrigerate your syrup. And just like that, you have idiots actually preferring cold syrup on hot pancakes. If you asked for cold syrup at the dining hall, you'd be sooner smacked on the head with a sticky ladle; it's just not right. Now, just before the whole world started to enjoy cold syrup, Aunt Jemima, crazy lady that she is, released the amazing microwave size bottle. Now you can refrigerate your syrup and heat it up!

Of course, it wasn't long before the full-figured Mrs. Butterworth mutated into a guesome short, fat, microwave-sized mutant, because suddenly the world began shoving her into cold storage. Nevermind that it says right on her apron "Refrigeration not necessary," you all have been brainwashed and do it anyway. After all, why else would they make microwave-sized bottles?

### Beware of killer meningitis

■ Meningitis cases are popping up.

Students, faculty and staff need to be on the lookout for a deadly disease — meningococcal meningitis. According to a Sunday News & Observer story, a female student at UNC Chapel Hill was treated for the disease at a UNC-CH hospital Saturday. The student is a member of a sorority, and school officials want her fellow sorority members to get a one-dose preventive antibiotic for the disease.

This disease causes inflammation of the membranes surrounding the brain and spinal cord.

This is not the only recent case. Several weeks ago, two teens in nearby counties died of the disease — Branson Wiggins, 17, of Youngsille and Michel Anthony Reed, 14, of Henderson.

The News & Observer stated the

form of meningitis contracted by the student is the most common form of bacterial meningitis, which is more serious than viral meningitis and can cause brain damage or death if not treated.

This disease is contagious and can be spread in numerous ways — contact with oral secretion, including drinking after or sharing utensils with an infected person, coughing and kissing.

Symptoms include fever, headaches, a stiff painful neck and a rash beginning on the hands or feet. Two to 10 days is the incubation period for the disease, with three to four days being the average incubation period.

If anyone displays these symptoms, please seek help at N.C. State Student Health Services. For more information about meningitis, call Student Health Services at 515-2563.

LARRY MARSHBURNE  
Staff Columnist

I've often wondered, with the age difference, how well my readers could relate to my column. Today's column doesn't have that problem. Today's column is about my nephew who was born on Nov. 4, 1977. Matt lived until Aug. 29, 1989.

When my sister's husband learned she was pregnant, he discovered that he had a change in priorities. So Beverly learned to be a single mom.

My daughter, an only child, now sometimes had someone other than me to argue with, but Matt argued with different rules than Laura and me. Laura would go on and on, and when she felt she had irrefutably

made her point, Matt would say, "So."

Laura would repeat herself and even come up with new and better arguments, and then Matt would repeat himself — "So." Laura never won an argument with Matt.

While Laura and I struggled with lost or discarded school assignments, Matt and Beverly quietly, consistently produced A's. Beverly is the organized sibling. Like his mother, Matt was well-organized and dependable.

Beverly made it through the single mom years, remarried and had a second son.

I'm the sibling who's always been a little off-the-wall. Despite Beverly's fears, Matt joined Laura and me for little adventures we called gallivants — camping trips

and Disney World in 1987. Laura and I enjoyed entertaining Matthew almost as much as we enjoyed the trips ourselves. Matt was always full of wonder and appreciation. I tried to teach Matt to appreciate the adventure of life. Matt taught me to appreciate life.

A few months after we returned from Disney World, on Thanksgiving morning, I called to verify with my sister that the three of us were going camping after Thanksgiving dinner. I was surprised to find there was no answer. My sister, the organized sibling, is fairly predictable, so I called my aunt who was hosting the Thanksgiving dinner. She told me that everyone was at Duke Hospital.

Matt had asthma. Since Matt was somewhat sick on Wednesday,

and Beverly, always the prepared one, had carried him to the doctor to avoid any potential problems over the long Thanksgiving weekend.

We had Thanksgiving dinner that day in the Duke Hospital cafeteria. The doctors were optimistic.

They remained optimistic for a long time. Mama asked me what I knew about leukemia. I told her I knew it was serious — that some people make it and some people don't. Everyone felt sure that Matt would be one of those who made it. I never voiced my doubts.

Matt joined the ranks of the baldheaded kids with faces swelled up from chemotherapy. Sometimes he had to wear a surgical mask. He was always being poked with a

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### Losing a loved one to Leukemia

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Staff Columnist

It is the month of June. Scorching rays from the sun make the atmosphere like a hot furnace. The temperature is around 110 degrees Fahrenheit, but the dry air makes it seem more. I roll up the windows of my car and switch on the air conditioner, sighing with relief as cool air flows through the car. Sweet, soulful music from Kenny G's latest compact disc streams through the speakers as I cruise down Sharada-e-Faisal, one of the major traffic arteries of Karachi. As the traffic light changes to red, I step on the brakes and the car slowly comes to a halt. As soon as the car slows, a young boy starts

wiping my windshield with a dirty rag. Another knocks on the window asking me to buy the afternoon edition of some newspaper. A third stands next to him with a bunch of roses in his hand, the look on his face pleading with me to buy one. All three are dressed in old, torn clothes, two of them with no shoes on their feet. I shake my head and floor the pedal as the light turns green. It is two in the afternoon as I return to the comfort of my home from school. The kids will stay on the road until midnight, when they take home their day's earning of 100 to 200 rupees (\$2-\$4).

The above scene is just the tip of the iceberg as far as child labor is concerned. Millions of children in developing countries (and even in

developed countries) are forced to work in order to support their families. Starting at the age of five, they work in some capacity or other. Too poor to afford even enrollment in the subsidized government schools, these kids never get a chance to unleash the potential inside them.

Reliable child labor statistics are scant due to the reluctance of many governments to acknowledge the problem. The International Labor Organization (ILO) and the United Nations Children Emergency Fund (UNICEF) estimate the total number of child workers to be between 200 and 250 million, 95 percent of which are in developing countries. However, what exactly is "child labor?" Majid Aziz, a

former chairperson of SITE Association of Industries, Karachi,

gives a very good definition: "(Child labor is) the employment of children, under the age of 15, outside of the house, with limited or no access to a recognized procedure of education; with scant regard for health and safety; and with minimal or non-available opportunities for recreation or mind-development activities. Child labor is the natural outcome of extraordinary circumstances, which evolved when the compelling forces of abject poverty, burgeoning population, and non-existent facilities of health, education and welfare, exploited the deprived and disadvantaged

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# Larry

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needed and was often sick and nauseated from the chemo.

Beverly learned all about the Ronald McDonald House. The doctors would tell her stuff; she would write it down, especially the numbers. The numbers would always improve for a while. If the numbers stayed improved long enough, then you're considered to be recovered. They never stayed improved long enough.

Matt went to Disneyland on his Make-A-Wish trip. We had a benefit barbecue for medical expenses. Unable to pull off any more camping trips or larger expeditions, Laura, Matt and I would explore the vast hallways of Duke Hospital. While trying to get a peek at the babies, we got thrown out of the maternity section. Those people have no sympathy or sense of humor, even if your party includes a baldheaded kid in a wheelchair.

Less than two years after that hospital Thanksgiving dinner, Matt went to Minnesota for a one-person bone marrow transplant. The idea

was that they would harvest some of Matt's healthy bone marrow cells, kill off all the rest, and then return the healthy cells. Mama told me later that Matt nearly died in Minnesota. Things were rough at work for me at the time, and I didn't feel that I could go to Minnesota. For Mother's Day, I sent Beverly a package of things I thought she might need or that might entertain her.

Matthew's numbers were improved again when they returned from Minnesota. The doctors were optimistic. Our final road trip was to nearby Goldsboro for a movie. Matt asked me if in the future, Laura and I would carry his little brother on our gallivants. I ignored the premonition in his question and told him the four of us would do something over Thanksgiving.

The doctors lost their optimism. We returned to Duke Hospital. Matthew didn't have to endure any more chemotherapy. I stayed over a couple of nights at the hospital as we waited for the end. After he lost his ability to talk, Matt could still clap his hands to applaud the doctors.

On Aug. 28, I really believed, for some reason, that Matt was going to be okay. I kissed him goodnight and went home. And that was it. Including prostitution."

Not surprisingly most children work to support their families. For most children, this work is just a form of apprenticeship. While it might not give them much of a chance to advance in society, they can at least earn for themselves and their future families. In fact, one of the founding fathers of the United States, Benjamin Franklin, is undoubtedly the best example to give in favor of apprenticeship. At the age of 10, he was apprenticed by his father in his own shop making soap and candles — honest and useful work, but stinking, dreary and boring. He worked 12 to 14 hours a day, six days a week, and he hated it. After two years, his father gave up on him, and Ben entered the printshop of his half-brother James. He quickly became an expert in a craft that he would never tire of, even when he went on to become world-renowned.

Child labor, as long as it is voluntary and the working conditions are good, is not bad. If these children are deprived of the opportunity of work and forced to sit at home, they will end up as burdens to their families and to society. They will grow up without any formal education (since they can't afford it) and will not be knowledgeable of any trade.

The fate of children banned from Bangladesh's garment industry four years ago is a case in point. Prompted by the threat of a United States bill to ban imports of goods made by children, Bangladeshi clothing manufacturers sacked all employees under 14. Deprived of much-needed income, most of the children were forced to take on harmful, less well-paid work.

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populace." (Source: Aziz, Majid. "Child Labor: Social responsibilities of employers and their organizations on an individual level and national level." Employer's Federation of Pakistan. Karachi, March 1994.)

Many organizations and governments around the world actively campaign for the abolishment of child labor. However, they fail to see that, in a way, abolishment will be far worse for both the child laborers and their families. The Web page of Save the Children Foundation, UK, cites the example of Bangladesh:

"Emotive responses in the past have caused more harm than good. The fate of children banned from Bangladesh's garment industry four years ago is a case in point. Prompted by the threat of a United States bill to ban imports of goods made by children, Bangladeshi clothing manufacturers sacked all employees under 14. Deprived of much-needed income, most of the children were forced to take on harmful, less well-paid work.

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# Babble

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disable plugins that download animations or play sound files. Surfing in text-only mode is the fastest way to go if you are doing research or looking for something particular on the Web. Once you reach an interesting destination, you can tell your browser to show the images for that page.

Be sure that the spanking fast modem you're using is dialing in to one equally fast at your ISP. If you're looking into getting a new modem, check to see what protocols are supported and whether or not they have the new V.90 modems on line yet. Also, check to see just how many callers

at a time can access these high-speed modems. Anyone can say they have 56k access, but if they only have one such modem, it's unlikely you'll ever see that speed.

Be sure that your options are set optimally for use with your modem. Refer to the manuals that came with your modem for the ideal settings for flow control, error correction, etc.

Also, if you're in the market for a new modem, think about getting an internal one instead of an external one. While external modems have the advantage of being portable and easy to install, internal ones have fewer trouble spots. There are no extra cables to go bad, and, since the modem is a card sitting directly on the motherboard, it needs no external power supply.

If you're really in the mood to go faster, you may look into an ISDN line. Installed by the phone

company for a hefty fee and charged by the month for usage, an Integrated Services Digital Network is not for those on a tight budget. However, an ISDN can usually support up to three 64k bps channels at once and, being all digital in both directions, makes a standard 56k look like its standing still.

Also for people always on the cutting edge are cable modems. If the local cable company offers it, you can buy a modem that plugs into a normal television cable jack. Like ISDN, cable modems have the advantage of being all digital. Bandwidth and costs may vary, and most cable companies still don't offer data service, but the speed promised by cable modems make even ISDN look sluggish. And, besides, there's no complicated installation and no new wires running into the house.

Modems have come a long way since I first started tooling around the local bulletin boards and Internet with a 300 bps modem. When I upgraded to 2400 bps, I was blown away. Now I happily surf at 28.8 and am looking to buy a 56k V.90 modem. Speed is good.

Where do we go from here? The next step, by some estimation, is to replace all the copper lines with fiber optics. Other new innovations use the old standard lines, but upgrades to the switching stations enable them to handle more than one call at a time per line. This is made possible by giving different types of calls different frequencies, which can all be routed over the same line at once.

However it's done, though, the trick to speeding up the information superhighway in the short term is not to widen the lanes, but to make the cars smaller.

# Rights

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coordinator of the Iraq Action Coalition will discuss this compelling subject.

**7 p.m. Multipurpose Room, AAC**

**Presentation:** "Affirmative Action: Trouble in the Land" Rupert W. Nacoste, associate professor of Psychology at N.C. State, is a longtime researcher of the psychology of affirmative action and author of the forthcoming book, "The Psychology of Affirmative Action: Phantom to the Nation." Reception follows.

**7 p.m. Campus Cinema, Winterspoon Student Center**

**Film:** "Schindler's List" An indelible story of devastation, genocide and the triumph of one human's faith.

**Wed., March 25**

**12:20-2 p.m., Multipurpose Room, AAC**

**Film:** "Jerusalem: An Occupation Set in Stone?" This award-winning

video examines the issues of housing and residency rights in Jerusalem and how they affect the Palestinian population in the city. **2:35- 3:25 p.m. AAC, Room 356-A**

**Film and Discussion:** "The Maids!" Directed by Muriel Jackson, this documentary explores the history of Black women domestics in the United States.

**4-5 p.m. Green Room, University Student Center**

**Seminar:** "Mutilations and Violations: The International War on Women's Bodies" From China to Bosnia, Egypt to Mexico, India to the U.S., women are subject to atrocities few can imagine.

**7 p.m. Multipurpose Room, AAC**

**Presentation:** "Military Policy: War and Peace" Gordon Clark, director of Peace Action, the nation's largest grassroots peace and justice organization. Reception follows.

**7 p.m. Campus Cinema, Winterspoon Student Center**

**Film:** "Schindler's List"

**Thurs., March 26**

**12:40-2 p.m. Brown Room, University Student Center**

**Peach Lunch Forum:** "The AIDS

**Epidemic and Women's Health"**

**2:15- 3:15 p.m. Green Room, University Student Center**

**Discussion:** "Justice in the Fields: Organizing to Win Dignity for Migrant Workers in North Carolina" Lead by Matt Emick and Daniel Opuka of the National Farm Workers Ministry and Ramiro Sarabia of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee. AFI, CIO.

**3:30- 4:30 p.m. Women's Center, Nelson Hall**

**Film:** "Jane" This film tells the story of Jane, the Chicago-based women's health group who performed nearly 12,000 safe, illegal abortions between 1969 and 1973 with no formal medical training.

**7 p.m. Multipurpose Room, AAC**

**Discussion:** "Environmental Policy" Presentation by Nan Freehand, co-director of the Clean Water Fund of North Carolina. Reception follows.

**Fri., March 27**

**12:10-1:15 p.m. Multipurpose Room, AAC**

**Discussion:** "The Death Penalty at the Turn of the Century" A talk by attorney Marshall Dayan will explore

the problems inherent in the application of the death penalty in the U.S., including classism and racism.

**Ongoing**

**Exhibition:** AAC Art Gallery "We Are All Housekeepers" A photographic exhibition by Susan Suchman Simone chronicling the efforts of housekeepers in the UNC-Chapel Hill system to obtain representation through union-ization. Sound by Jim Lee.

**Display:** D.H. Hill Library

The display will feature items from the library's collection that focus on human rights as well as works by various human rights activists.

**Display:** University Student Center Lobby "Highlighting 50 Years of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights."

**Petition gathering:** Student Center Lobby, Brickyard, Caldwell Add your signature to the millions of others which will be presented to the United Nations on Dec. 10.

**Display:** Department of Psychology, Poe Hall A collection of research and published works by members of the department relating to human rights issues

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