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Student Senate faces off

Seth Whitaker, Mark Aldrich and Greg Doucette are the three candidates running for Student Senate president.

Cathy Wilfong News Editor

In the latest edition of candidate

profiles, Technician brings its reading public information regarding the three candidates for Student Senate president. Featured today are Seth Whitaker, Mark Aldrich and Greg Doucette.

The general elections for all Student Government positions, as well as senior class president, Student Center Board of Directors

and Student Media Authority, will be held April 5 and 6. If the need for a run-off should arise, that election will be held the following week, April 12 and 13. More information about the elections and candidates can be found on the Student Government web site at www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/stud\_govt/homepage.html.

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Public Safety has no problem with giving students speeding tickets on campus.

Public Safety targets speeders

Better not try the old 45 in a 15 on campus.

Nicolas Gullett Staff Writer

For those that think N.C. State's campus is a refuge from Raleigh Police Department's radar gun, Public Safety begs to differ.

Public Safety has taken several steps in helping reduce the amount of speeding that takes place on campus.

"We have posted several speeding machines on and around the NCSU campus, we also on some occasions will setup radar and monitor a given intersection or area for problems," said Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis. "If we see an increased amount of speeding or lack of regard for traffic laws then we will act accordingly by handing out more tickets and examining those specific problems more closely."

A campus speeding ticket is just as serious as a city ticket and is handled in exactly the same way, according to Ellis.

"Students that receive tickets from Public Safety Officers are allowed either to pay the fine along with court cost, or to take the matter to the Wake County Courthouse where they can ask for a reduction or try to fight the ticket," he said.

"We are constantly monitoring all problems that exist on campus," said Ellis on commenting to how aggressive Public Safety is on speeding on campus. "If we see any areas of concern then we will do everything we can to take care of those problems and to make sure that they will not happen again."

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Name: Seth Warren Whitaker Age: 20 Classification and number of years at NCSU: Senior, 3 years Major(s): Chemical engineering and political science

Platform/issues: Whitaker feels that the Student Senate president's "primary job is to be a facilitator." Because of this belief, he says his platform is somewhat limited so as not to conflict with the interests of the position and others in the senate. "I think it is a conflict of interest to take stances on every issue," he said, noting that the president should be impartial and fair when presiding over the meeting. Whitaker noted that he would "work with student senators to make sure bills are written and talked about."

There are some things, however, that Whitaker would like to see addressed, one of which is campus safety.

"We have to do something, obviously, to make the campus safer," he said, pointing to ideas about a point-to-point bussing system and improved lighting in certain areas of campus as examples of things that could be done.

A second part of Whitaker's platform revolves around transportation at NCSU. He noted that "parking fees are increasing and parking zones are being shuffled around," areas of particular concern to students. Whitaker wants to address these issues, as well as others.

"People need to get to and from campus not only safely, but also efficiently," he said.

A final key area of concern to Whitaker is

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Name: Mark Daniel Aldrich Age: 20 Classification and number of years at NCSU: Sophomore, 2 years

Major(s): Mathematics and political science Platform/issues: Aldrich has a number of issues he would address as Student Senate president, the first of which is school spirit. He said he would "institute an annual, exciting Homecoming." Some ideas for this include distributing copies of the fight song and alma mater to incoming freshmen, as well as continuing campout "even after the move to the EAS."

A second order of business for Aldrich is diversity.

"All should be made to feel welcome to the university community," he said. "Awareness and appreciation of other cultures should be furthered through small groups (study circles) and large gatherings (international festivals)."

Aldrich cited communication as another important issue for Student Senate, by doing such things as forming a "committee to lobby the General Assembly and Raleigh City Council on behalf of students," and keeping in constant communication with the chancellor and other administrators. Aldrich would also like to "begin bi-monthly 'town-hall' meetings and a Student Government newsletter." He also hopes to improve interactions with the school councils and dividing registered student organizations among the senators.

Another platform issue for Aldrich the NCSU community: He wants to "improve cooperation with other campus organizations, especially UAB, IRC and IFC." He also wants to reinstitute a cam-

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Name: Thomas Gregory Doucette Age: 17 Classification and number of years at NCSU: Sophomore, 1 year

Major(s): Political science, computer engineering, electrical engineering; minor in economics Platform/issues: Doucette said the main theme of his campaign "is going to be common sense leadership."

"The rest of my platform includes four broad categories: activism, on the part of senators as well as students, diversity, efficiency and advising."

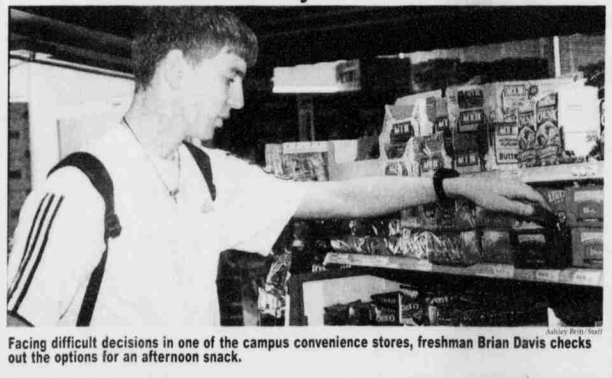
In order to involve students, Doucette would like to do such things as establish a Student Government Public Relations Committee, composed of all four branches, with each group setting up a table each month in the Brickyard and Fountain Dining Hall. He would also like to hold monthly town meetings, establish a line item for publicity, begin production of a Student Government newsletter, and publishing the times and dates of senate meetings.

As for getting senators involved, Doucette plans to "devise a mission statement for the senate and make sure it is followed." Other ideas include better training, encouraging involvement outside of Student Senate and appointing liaison representatives for each college.

Another item of Doucette's platform is diversity, which would include ensuring that the "Student Senate Diversity Committee establishes a greater pres-

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Oats and Honey or Cinnamon?



Facing difficult decisions in one of the campus convenience stores, freshman Brian Davis checks out the options for an afternoon snack.

Health Services offer those cheaper birth control for students

The Student Health Center and Planned Parenthood offer lower cost options.

Allison Ballard Assistant News Editor

Most students know, from visiting gas station restrooms, that they can get a condom for 75 cents.

They may also know that many pharmacies and drugstores sell birth control pills for as much as \$40 for a one-month supply and offer 12 condoms for around \$8.

However, more reasonably priced options for preventing sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancies are available.

The Student Health Center and Planned Parenthood try to price condoms and birth control pills with college students' budgets in mind.

At the Student Health Center, a one-month supply of birth control pills is \$9 and condoms can be purchased for \$3.50 per dozen. Planned Parenthood offers special prices to full-time students. Birth control pills are \$11 per month and condoms are \$2 for a dozen.

Many students think these prices are well within the average college student's price range.

"If they can afford to buy beer, they can afford to buy condoms," said Todd Astoria, a junior in chemical engineering.

In addition, many students think that it is a good idea that these inexpensive choices are available.

"Most college students aren't abstaining from sex," said Kim Baker, a sophomore in business. "It is good that the Health Center is making this accessible."

Astoria agrees.

"Personally, I abstain because of STDs and I was brought up to believe [having a child early] can really screw up your future plans," he said. "But I think that if you do have sex, you should use contraception."

To help students make informed decisions, both Planned Parenthood and the Student Health Center offer information sessions for those who are just starting to seek birth control. The Health Center offers a one-hour class that includes discussion of sexually transmitted diseases and how to do self-breast exams, said Elaine Goodson, a nurse practitioner at the Health Center.

The class is essentially designed for women and helps students make the best contraception choices for their needs, said Stephanie Geiger, health educator with Health Promotion.

"Many students walk out of the class feeling better about their decision," she said. "More and more women are taking the class — that is a good sign, we are getting the word out."

The Health Center also provides birth control counseling for men on an individual basis.

Before oral contraceptives can be prescribed, the patient must undergo a complete physical that includes a Pap smear and STD screening. Both Planned Parenthood and the Student Health Center offer these exams for \$40-45.

Both Geiger and Jones said that one of the least expensive options for preventing pregnancy is to purchase a diaphragm. It involves only a one-time expense. Planned Parenthood offers this method of birth control for \$20 for a fitting and \$15 for the device. The only additional purchase would be the spermicidal jelly that is used with the diaphragm.

However, as with many methods of contraception, the diaphragm does not prevent STDs.

"We encourage all college students to use their choice of birth control in conjunction with a condom," Jones said. "And even that isn't 100 percent effective against STDs."

Jones also said that "emergency contraception" that can be used within 72 hours of intercourse is available to college students at a lower price.

"This can be used in the event of a broken condom or if there is no contraception used at all," she said.

Board approves tuition increase

Friday in the Talley Student Center Ballroom, the UNC Board of Governors approved a 4.9 percent increase in tuition for in-state students.

B. Payne Staff Writer

Almost every year students are faced with an increase in tuition or fees.

This year is no exception, as the UNC Board of Governors

approved a proposed 4.9 percent increase in tuition at its meeting on Friday. The proposal now heads to the North Carolina General Assembly for final approval.

Currently, N.C. State undergraduate and graduate students pay \$1,456.00 for resident status while non-resident students pay \$10,622.00 a year. Under the proposal agreed to at the Governors meeting, State students will have to fork over an extra \$72.00 for undergraduates and \$122.00 for graduate students.

With the whole University of North Carolina system being effected, students across the state will be expected to pay from \$38.00 to \$716.00 more next year. East Carolina University students are effected by the highest increase because of the transition of the institution to a Doctoral II institution.

The increase is in response to Governor Hunt's budget request for the upcoming year. The proposal will bring in about \$7.8 mil-

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tuition and fees, namely trying to keep them low. He said the Student Senate did not find out about the proposed tuition increases until it was so close that it was difficult to do anything about it.

"It's not what went right or wrong," he said, "but how to be prepared for next year." Whitaker proposed such ideas as looking at trends in state government to see how they feel about tuition and fee issues, as well as creating a standing committee within the senate to keep track of all the background information regarding the matter.

Whitaker also commented on how he would like to streamline the ways Student Senate does business.

**Why do you want to be Student Senate president?** "I want to be Student Senate president because I really enjoy helping students," Whitaker said. "I feel I could serve as a resource for student senators and the student body at large, and I feel I could be a resource on a lot of issues."

Whitaker pointed to his experience as a student senator and as this year's Senate Pro-Tempore, a position he explained as "essentially vice-president" of the senate.

"I have been in the senate for two years," he said. "I have a great interest in the legislative process and the way it works."

Whitaker feels that this experience has given him "some familiarity with the administration," as well as contacts with a "range of people."

**Honors/activities:** Student Senate (President Pro-Tempore; Parliamentarian); Order of Omega Greek Honor Society (Vice president, 1999); Phi Delta Theta Fraternity (treasurer); Phi Beta Kappa; UNC Association of Student Governments (VP for Student Affairs); John T. Caldwell Alumni Scholar; N.C. State Fellows Program.

## Greg

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ence on campus," creating liaisons with various student groups on campus, lobbying the administration to "test controversial means of enhancing diversity," and creating a recruitment task force "representing all races from varying disciplines."

"It is disappointing to see that, despite supposedly extensive efforts conducted by the administration, the N.C. State campus still lacks a robust exchange of different ideals, cultures and backgrounds inherent in a diverse campus," he said.

Included under the heading of efficiency is Public Safety, polling and recycling.

"Public Safety [is] the university's shining example of utmost stupidity," Doucette said. "Why don't we invest our money in better lighting, better equipment or perhaps even the power of Public Safety's only effective component, the Student Patrol?"

Under the topic of advising, Doucette would like to create positions that are "advisory only," and "establish a more comprehensive advisor training." He also hopes to implement new standards of advising.

**Why do you want to be Student Senate president?** "I've become disillusioned with all the talk I heard prior to my appointment about the strength of Student Government," Doucette said, noting that Student Government "as a whole is weak."

"The purpose of my candidacy is to restore power to the Student Government and the student body," he said. He plans to do this by getting students involved and making sure senators do their jobs.

**Activities/honors:** Student Senator, general manager, Avenet Ferry Burger King; President, Model United Nations; President, Leadership Institute; Publicity Director, Owen Hall; Member, Political Science club.

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pus-wide Spring Bash.

A final area of concern is service, which includes such events as Feed Raleigh.

"Feed Raleigh should truly be a campus-wide event," Aldrich said. "It can be a highlight of each year and a showing of the great people of N.C. State."

**Why do you want to be Student Senate president?** "The Student Senate president needs to be a motivator and a unifier," Aldrich said. "I also believe the Student Senate president should be a tireless advocate for students, regardless of the effect on Student Senate."

"I know that I would faithfully fulfill these roles," he continued. "I love N.C. State greatly, and I am aware of the responsibility of Student Senate."

**Honors/activities:** Student Senate, Campus Life Committee; UAB (Films committee); Society of Undergraduate Mathematics; delegate to the University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments; West Campus Judicial Board and N.C. State athletics.

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The NCSU public safety is not only responsible for supervising traffic laws, but for policing all illegal activity on campus. "We have the same rights and obligations as other police departments, we are just our own entity. We are responsible for all the transactions that take place on campus, if a student has a problem and calls the Raleigh Police Department, then we will be notified and given responsibility for handling the problem."

All NCSU Public Safety Officers are fully armed and have the right to use "excessive force" to gain submission over someone who resists arrest.

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lion, \$1.3 million more than Gov. Hunt requested to gain through tuition increases. The Board asked the General Assembly, which ultimately has final say in any increase, to earmark the \$1.3 million surplus for need-based financial aid.

Most items on the Board's agenda came up without any discussion or debate, and had already been agreed upon through consent.

One topic that caused conversation was a resolution to the General Assembly asking that the lone student member on the Board be given voting privileges.

Currently, the President of the UNC Association of Student Governments sits on the board, but in a non-voting capacity. Opponents of the resolution argued that each university already has the Student Body President on the Board of Trustees as voting member. Also, they said that unlike the 32-member board the UNCASG president is not appointed by the Legislature, rather by the 16 university's student governments.

NCSU is not the only university to get a new chancellor this school year. With almost all the UNC chancellors in attendance, UNC President Molly Broad asked the Board of Governors to elect James Renick as NC A&T's new chancellor. Renick, the current chancellor of the University of Michigan at Dearborn, will replace Ed Fort who has served NC A&T for 18 years.

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111-120 Hours Passed  
March 20

101-110 Hours Passed  
March 22

92-100 Hours Passed  
March 23

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### Juniors

84-91 Hours Passed March 24

77-83 Hours Passed March 25

70-76 Hours Passed March 26

64-69 Hours Passed March 27

60-63 Hours Passed March 29

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### Sophomores

53-59 Hours Passed April 5

48-52 Hours Passed April 6

43-47 Hours Passed April 7

38-42 Hours Passed April 8

30-37 Hours Passed April 9

### Freshman

20-29 Hours Passed April 13

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# TECHNICIAN Spotlight



## Generations Unite

◆ The last India night of the millenium proves to be well worth the wait.

**NATALIE DUGGINS**  
Spotlight Editor

When famed Indian actress Shabana Azmi visited N.C. State in January, she said, "India is unique in that it lives in several centuries simultaneously." In an attempt to bridge the gap between those generations, NCSU's Indian Student Association (EKTA) hosted their annual India Night, Sunday in Talley Student Center. A time-honored tradition for more than 28 years, India Night brought together generations of Indian descendants and immigrants to enjoy authentic Indian cuisine celebrate their culture and unify the Triangle's Indian community. "[EKTA's] accomplishments and activities all amount to one thing: to increase awareness and education of Indian culture, traditions and heritage to the community," EKTA Co-Presidents Bhrukuti Patel and Hetal Patel wrote in the event's welcome.

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**Quote of the day:**  
"If you listened hard enough the first time, you might have heard what I meant to say."  
-Unknown

## SOUND BITE

**Eminem — "The Slim Shady LP"**  
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Back during the fledgling age of hip-hop, Chuck D, Flavor Flav and Public Enemy told audiences; "don't believe the hype." So, when I heard Missy Elliot, Dr. Dre and Wyclef Jean bolstering a new rapper out of Detroit named Eminem (pronounced M&M), I reserved judgment.

Eminem made his first appearance in mainstream music with his single, "My Name Is." MTV deemed his style buzzworthy and sent his video into heavy rotation. The track is definitely infectious and within a few minutes of hearing it, you'll definitely find yourself rapping along. As you explore the complexities of Eminem's alter ego Slim Shady, you'll be entertained, but the lyrics are rather vacuous.

Dr. Dre and Eminem play "word cap, bad cap" on "Guilty Conscience." Dre argues for a robber to recognize the consequences of robbing a liquor store, while Eminem asks, "can you afford to blow this sh\*t, are you that rich?" The song goes on and a character finds his wife with another man. "Slim Shady" tries to convince the character to cut the wife's throat and eventually Dre goes along saying, "oh what am I saying...shoot them both."

The opening of "If I Had" seemingly takes a page out of the book of the "late" Tupac Shakur (references to Tupac are made again on "Just Don't Give a F\*ck") sounding a lot like the beginning of "Heart of Men" (lyrically at least). The track is your atypical whistled-filled-with-stuff that Marshall Mathers (aka Eminem) is tired of... "I'm tired of being white trash, broke and always pool/ tired of taking pop bottles back to the party store/ tired of not having a phone." You almost feel sympathetic to Mathers until he reveals what he would do if he had one wish... "I would ask for a big enough ass for the whole world to kiss."

Eminem makes one of his best lyrical stands on "The Slim Shady LP" with "Role Model." Accompanied by a beat perfect for freestyling, the rapper asks "don't you want to grow up and be just like me?" The lyrical onslaught on this track represent Eminem at the pinnacle of his talent.

The battle for worst song on the album is won by "Cum on Everybody." The track is supposed to be the dance song on the LP but the lyrics are so ridiculously stupid that you'd be hardpressed to get passed their stupidity. Once you get past the vacuous lyrics, you recognize that the beat is extremely weak...maybe Eminem should have asked Puffy how it's done.

What I can't say is that upon hearing "Slim Shady" I began having Vanilla Ice flashbacks. Though I was an avid fan of "Ice, Ice Baby" back in the day, Rob Van Winkle has little in common with Eminem except the color of their skin. While Ice relied heavily upon sampled beats and dance moves, Eminem relies solely on his lyrical flow to get him through.

In world governed by political correctness, society is often impressed with the audacity of those who choose to be outspoken and nonchalant. The Detroit rapper brings nothing new to hip-hop... providing audiences with little in the way of groundbreaking artistry.

Don't get me wrong, Eminem does have talent, but definitely nothing worthy of the hype that he has received. He's a white outspoken rapper whose album was produced by Dr. Dre...that's where you'll find the basis of the hype. -N. Duggins

**Collective Soul - "Dosage"**  
★ ★



It's been a while since we last heard from Collective Soul — they released their last album, "Disciplined Breakdown" in 1997. However, the album didn't have that one-hit wonder mentality of past Collective Soul albums. Remember their single "Shine" from the band's Atlantic Records debut "Hints, Allegations & Things Left Unsaid?" Or "The World I Know" from their second self-entitled album?

The fact of the matter is that anyone who listened to the radio during those days were bound to hear "oh, heaven let your light shine down." Long before today's overplayed wonders, there was Collective Soul. And to make matters worse, not only were their songs always on the radio, they were increasingly infectious. Minutes after "The World I Know" stopped playing on the radio, you always seemed to find yourself singing the lyrics and recalling those tantalizing riffs. Before Dave Matthews became a (frat) household name and before you loved to hate Third Eye Blind and Matchbox 20, there was Collective Soul.

The band returns to music with their fourth album, "Dosage." The album opens with "Trembled for my Beloved," a track that contrary to implication created by the name, isn't much of a heart-wrenching love song. The track has an upbeat series of guitar riffs. The lyrics are decent — "to a world where madness craves/ to a world where hope's enslaved/ oh I'll tremble for your love always." Unfortunately, the aforementioned quote is 50 percent of the song. This track leaves a lot to be desired in that it is essentially an instrumental track with some vocals thrown in to add flavor. The album's second track, "Collective Soul" fails to write an entire song and instead repeats the same stanza over and over again. "Shine" had just two stanzas of

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## HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK

### TUESDAY

- 11:30 - 1:00 PM - Room 3120, Talley Student Center
- Oye Book Club
- 12:40 - 1:40 PM Green Room, Talley Student Center
- "Assuring Democratic Elections in El Salvador"
- 4:00 - 5:00 PM AACC Room 356A, Witherspoon Student Center
- "Multinational Corporations and the Sustainence of Dictatorships: A Nigerian Case Study"
- 6:00 - 7:30 PM AACC Room 126, Witherspoon Student Center
- "Environmental Injustice as a Human Rights Abuse"
- 7:30 PM AACC Room 126, Witherspoon Student Center
- "Simulation of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights"

### WEDNESDAY

- 12:30 - 1:30 PM Brown Room, Talley Student Center
- "Raising Gender-Free Children"
- 2:00 PM AACC Room 126, Witherspoon Student Center
- "We Shall Overcome: The Song that Moved a Nation"
- 4:30 - 6:00 PM Brown Room, Talley Student Center
- "Human Rights Violations in Rural North Carolina"
- 5:30 - 6:30 PM AACC Room 356, Witherspoon Student Center
- "The Death Penalty and Human Rights"
- 7:00 PM AACC Room 356, Witherspoon Student Center
- "Dead Man Walking"
- 6:00 - 8:00 PM Room 3120, Talley Student Center
- "International Women's Potluck"

# India

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India Night 1999 began with a reception and dinner in the Talley Student Center Ballroom. Catered by Royal India, the ballroom was lined with a buffet of Indian dishes.

Awaiting a lesson in Indian history and culture through entertainment, hundreds of patrons lined up at the doors to Stewart Theater soon after the dinner concluded. The performances by Indian students from N.C. State, Duke and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, as well as other community groups, had sold out after Spring Break, so dozens stood outside the theater hoping to come across someone with an extra ticket.

The performance's theme, "Kal

aur aaj ki lehren" means, "remembering what was and what is." Combining the events of India's past and present, members of EKTA and surrounding community Indian organizations best represented India's optimistic future.

Adding unbelievable humor to the evening's performances was a skit, performed during breaks between performances. Scripted by Afroz Taj, a professor in the Foreign Languages and Literature department and also the EKTA advisor, "Culture ki Kichadi" or a "mixed dish of cultures" unites the old generation, Chachi (Seema Faruqi) and Chacha (Adil Khanna), with a younger generation, Munna (Jasvinder Singh) and Meena (Sarah Patel).

The skit begins with the invention of a time machine by Munna. In celebration of this creation, Chachi, her husband Chacha and their son Balvinder Kumar (Ghans Minto) come to visit Munna's family from India.

Initially, Chachi is somewhat taken aback by American customs—best depicted by Munna's parents (Anu Virkar and Samir Umer), who swap stereotypical husband and wife roles in this production.

"Chachi is mean in the beginning because she was not used to the customs of America," said Taj. "But slowly, she begins to understand."

A majority of Chachi's understanding comes through the visits to the past in Munna's time travel machine. Travel went as far back as 1857 when the younger generation was exposed to the Indian fight for independence against the British who had taken over the country.

The historical retrospectives came in many different forms, including skits, dances and songs. While "Culture ki Kichadi" provided humor throughout the show, the outstanding aspects of India Night definitely came with the

performances.

Each of the performances were dynamic and exciting in their own right, but some definitely managed to outshine others. The event's thematic performance, "Kal aur aaj ki lehren," stood out at one of the India Night's best dances. The music blended a creative array of the Hindi film songs from different eras. Tanuja Mohapatra and Sunmuri Ali choreographed a wonderful performance.

In addition to writing the skit, Professor Taj also gave a stunning performance during his depiction of India's last mogul emperor, Bahadur Shah Zafar.

The eight girls that performed in "Pardesiya yeh shah hai piya" were nearly as impressive as their young adult counterparts. Choreographed by Anu Sood, the girls' performance was outstanding as they mesmerized crowds in their pink, blue and white saris.

"Dhol Vajda" was an astonishing performance by members of

EKTA. Moulin Desai, Haru Karnani, Rakhi Kumar, Sunita Murty, Azra Nanji, Vedangee Parikh, Amit Patil and Baljeet Singh performed one of the most energy-filled dances of India Night.

However, "Sona Sona" stood out as the best overall performance of the night. Choreographed by Vaishali Desai, the group performed this dance nearly flawlessly and seemingly without effort.

Though the focus of India Night was India's culture, the theme was in no way left exclusively for Indians. Instead, the event's performances created an atmosphere such that, regardless of what language was being spoken, the theme was universal. This was aided by the strength of the performances and the enthusiasm displayed by the performers — that extended far beyond any Hindi-English translations.

Breakthrough performances have to be assigned to Rakhi

Kumar and Amit Patil, who, in addition to being a part of the India night production committee, were also EKTA's cultural chair this year. Kumar was stunning in her solo song performance of "60s music, as well as, her outstanding dance and choreographic display.

Patil was equally impressive; displaying an excitement and enthusiasm that was unmatched throughout the entire show. His vivacity was infectious — leaving up the crowd during each of his performances.

Through the time travel to certain periods of Indian culture, Chachi finally learned the lesson that, "it's not new and old-it's a question of good and bad."

Whether you adhere to the "old school" or "new school," there's no doubt about how great India Night was.

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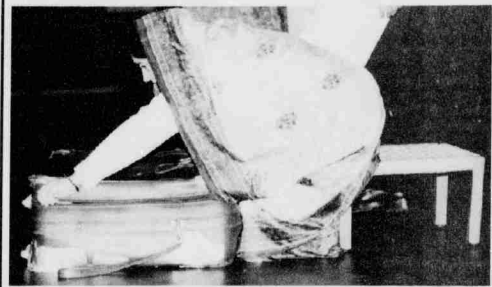
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## Unlocking Indian Culture and Traditions



**Chachi (Seema Faruqi) unzips her suitcase to reveal some of the souvenirs she brought over from India. Chachi was one of several characters in a skit at EKTA's annual India Night.**

## Forces of Attraction in 'Forces of Nature'

**RYAN HILL**  
Senior Staff Writer

In almost every movie Sandra Bullock has appeared in, she has played some sort of variation on herself. In "Practical Magic" she was whiny Sandra, in "Speed 2" she was Sandra the bad actress and now in her new movie "Forces of Nature" she plays a worldly Sandra who wears too much eye make-up.

Sandra stars with Ben Affleck in this romantic comedy about a nice guy (Affleck) who is trying to make it from New York to Savannah for his wedding, but constantly gets sidetracked because of freak occurrences of nature. This is not good for Ben (who coincidentally is also the name of his character) who really wants to just get to his fiancée (Maura Tierney) so he can marry her and get on with the rest of his life.

### Forces of Nature B+

**Director:**  
Bronwen Hughes  
**Starring:**  
Ben Affleck  
Sandra Bullock  
Steve Zahn

The first freak accident that happens to our wayward traveler is when his plane is getting ready to take-off and a bird flies into the engine and the plane goes out of control. The only problem with this is that a bird would not mess up a jet engine — the engine would cut it into mince-meat before the bird could mess anything up. But such stretches in reality are necessary to get Ben and



Sarah (Bullock) on the road where they can get to know each other pretty well.

Along the way to Savannah, the two hook up with a guy who smokes weed while he drives; a group of old people who want to buy condos in Florida and the two even manage to go into a gay bar to earn some extra cash. Also, throughout these adventures, Ben learns to do things that he would not normally do (I guess this is what they call "bringing someone out of their shell" so they can be a better person). During all this time Ben and Sarah begin to fall for each other, and even Ben's fiancée starts spending time with one of her ex-boyfriends. The best thing about "Forces of Nature" is that it keeps you guessing throughout the entire movie — who will Ben end up with? Most romantic comedies like "You've Got Mail" or "She's All That" are so predictable you know what will happen before you even walk into the theater. The fact that "Forces of Nature" avoids this predictability is what makes it an above average movie.

The film is also full of humor, mostly from Steve Zahn ("Out of Sight" and "That Thing You Do") who is without a doubt the most memorable

presence in the movie. Another great scene takes place in the previously mentioned gay bar when Ben decides to do a little dance for the boys.

Directed by Bronwen Hughes ("Harriet the Spy") in a let's get a money shot of a plane at a terminal kind of way, keeps things moving and entertaining, but keeps the sparks from flying between the main characters. Sarah and Ben obviously like each other, but you don't feel their chemistry. Nur with Ben and his fiancée Bridget, who only has enough time to see how stupid Ben can sound saying "I love you more" to her.

The performances are all good, especially Steve Zahn, who is on the brink of becoming "big (I hope). Affleck is also good, even though he tracks on the annoying at times. Even Sandra herself turns in a good performance, avoiding becoming annoying Sandra, which she seems to melt into in all of her movies. This is good for all of the guys in the audience, because this is a date movie that entertains everyone. "Forces of Nature" may not be a romance that rivals "Casablanca" or even "Sleepless in Seattle" but it is a very enjoyable movie that keeps the laughs coming.

## Sound

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lyrics...repeated for four minutes. It's been five years since the band made their mainstream debut...you would think that by now they'd be able to write an entire song. It seems obvious that the band's lead singer and primary song writer, Ed Roland, has good ideas...he just needs expand on them — a lot.

"Heavy" follows "Trembled for my Beloved" and opens with an interesting guitar riff — though it sounds

oddly familiar. Seemingly, the riff is taken directly off one of their old albums. Like "Trembled," this track is essentially two stanzas-repeated over and over again.

"Dandy Life" slows the tempo of the album down a bit. The track has a different set of guitar riffs and more mellow vocals. Ross Childress, the band's rhythm guitarist, takes over the lead vocals on the track, which provides for an interesting transition from Roland's voice. Though Childress' vocals and lyrics do sound a bit more amateurish than Roland, his voice seems to accompany the solemn sound of the single well.

If there is one positive thing to be

said about "Dosage," it would have to be that Collective Soul hasn't changed at all. Typically, that wouldn't be a good proclamation, but in some cases evolution might be a bad thing. Also, Collective Soul has managed to avoid making the transition into the complete and utter sappiness that pervades today's music.

Unfortunately, though, Collective Soul's absence from trendy and ability to persevere does not rescue "Dosage." The band's fourth album does show some promise with their latest effort, but the lack of quality lyrics (or at least more than two stanzas per song) makes the album lose ground. -N. Duggins

# Technician's View Students need a vote

◆ The University of North Carolina system Board of Governors recommended that their student member be given voting privileges. The Board of Governors should not only propose the change, but should lobby the General Assembly for its enactment.

With administrators always harking for more student input and dialogue on university committees, the UNC Board of Governors has taken the first step. Currently, the Board of Governors is comprised of 32 members selected by the Governor and lawmakers, and confirmed by the General Assembly. On the board sits the President of the UNC Association of Student Governments, but only in a non-voting, advisory role. Opponents of the proposal argue that students are already fairly represented in the UNC system. Not only do students have a role on the Board of Governors, but also each institution has their student body president on its Board of Trustees. The student is even empowered to vote.

Each Board of Trustees reviews and approves policies relevant to that university. When such issues as tuition are thrown in the air, the Board of Governors is where the decision making begins. To most students, an increase in tuition effects them more than any other decision a trustee board or the governors may enact. Because of controversy and added weight tuition increases causes, students should feel reassured that a student is voting on the matter.

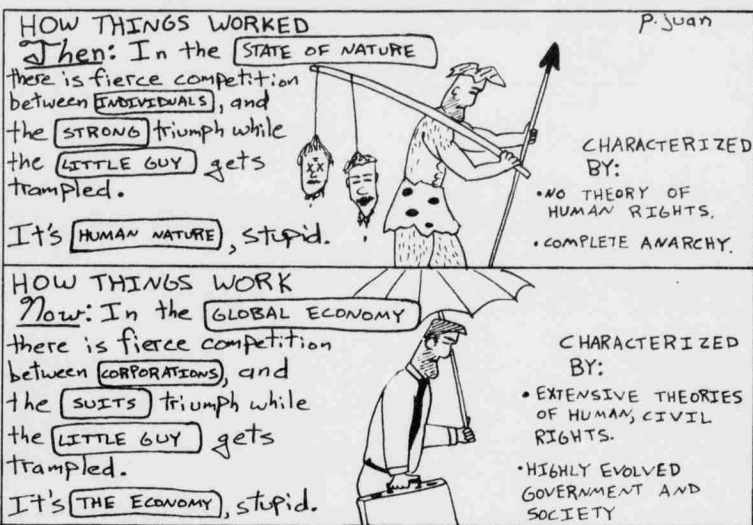
The next step for the Board of Governors is to lobby the members of the General Assembly. It is one thing to ask for a student vote on the board and it is another to fight.

Quite often, administrators and committees propose changes to satisfy students, even though in the long run they know they will eventually get shot down.

What is important is that the Board of Governors do what's best for NCSU. Having a student voice on the board is a step in the right direction towards being heard among the people that have leverage and ultimate power in decision making on issues that directly effect students' lives. The idea of a student member is cutting out the middleman giving the student body a direct bloodline into the heart of a law-making body.

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# Hints for the election

RYAN RUENT  
Staff Columnist

As this election approaches, I am inclined to give voters some guidance on how best to handle the upcoming election period. While our venerable student newspaper has already given some ideas on how best to judge one candidate from the next, I would like to supplement that list with some tips from an insider's perspective.

First, let me say, since many students only read the first two paragraphs of an opinion column anyway, that it is of the utmost importance that each and everyone vote in this election. The power students wield and the responsibility with which they wield it is directly related to the percentage of students that tick a box or click their mousetraps (mice?) on April 5 and 6. So, I will confine my discussion primarily to the races of Student Body and Student Senate President because these are the most

contested, publicized and important races. Of course, Senate seats are also hotly contested, but it is difficult to comment on such a wide variety of races in such a small area of newspaper. Also, for my convenience, I will use "he" as my candidate pronoun. This symbolizes exactly nothing.

◆ The office of Student Body President is one that has not been fully explored or taken advantage of for as long as I can remember. While much of this person's day is spent representing students in various meetings, few holders of this position have fully explored the potential to be a real campus leader. Students also don't expect this kind of action, because they have never experienced it, and because it is very easy for campus politicians to be considered decent without it. I mean, once you've got the position, it's on your resume, so why worry about it.

Additionally, Student Senate President is a very mysterious office

for most students, and it is one that requires experience, a dominant personality and ability to compromise. The senate is a tough body to handle for those without much legislative time under their belt.

◆ Based on all this, rule number one is "Beware Resume Builders!" This can be tough to determine for the average student, but be careful to listen for a candidate's list of accomplishments and how much he knows about those accomplishments. If the list is short or exaggerated, or if the candidate knows little about the details of his accomplishments, then chances are he is inflating his past and stealing his ideas from others. This equals a resume builder. Be on the lookout.

◆ Rule number two is "Don't Vote for Vagaries!" In order to get elected, candidates must come to students with appealing promises. It is also a matter of convenience (for candidates) that students don't know a great deal about what can and cannot

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## The Lies in the Balkans

If you, like so many American people, have not taken notice to what is happening in Kosovo and in regards to our administration and NATO, then I suggest that you do. The up coming war will cost not just in dollars but also in American blood. Further, if the quagmire deepens enough, it may just as well be your blood. Vietnam started off only as a small police action.

NATO, when originally founded, had a two-fold mission: defense against Warsaw aggression and as a way to end border tensions between member states. Since then NATO has sought a more "proactive" role that no longer simply encompasses Europe but has aims for the rest of the world.

NATO has been hijacked by the president and his social-democratic European allies as a force not for European security but an instrument of strong-arm foreign policy. During the last Iraq "crisis," Mr. Clinton called on NATO military support against Iraq.

Now, we again go to Kosovo, that small province in southern

Yugoslavia. That is in the Balkans, in southeast Europe. The KLA, the primary rebel band, was and still is primarily a well armed, paramilitary terrorist organization no different than some Montana mountain militia. The U.S. State Department labeled them as such and the application still sticks.

The OSCE (UN sent) observers in Kosovo have remarked that the Serb police actions were justified and controlled and that many of the Muslim and Catholic Albanians were themselves actively resisting the KLA. The KLA, for its part has carried out reprisal attacks against any deserters. This is much like the actions of the Vietcong in intimidating their fellow Vietnamese, during the Vietnam War. Through violence and intimidation they force their fellow Albanians to tote the party line or face death.

Bob Dole was quoted as saying to Reuters during a telephone conversation during the peace talks: "This is a set-up by this small group of people (the KLA) who don't want to give up power. Maybe they think they can make a profit from this somehow. They are not thinking of the Albanian people... This is

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# Pilots fight against anthrax vaccination

THOMAS L. REMPEER  
Special to The Burlington Sun

Rempeer, a captain with the Connecticut Air National Guard, is an U.S. Air Force Academy graduate who has served tours as a fighter pilot in Bosnia and the Middle East. Rempeer, and other pilots, resigned rather than disobey an order to take a mandatory anthrax vaccine.

Members of each branch of the U.S. armed forces, both active duty and reserve, share concerns about the military's Anthrax Vaccine Immunization Program.

Some of these concerns relate to health, safety and the vaccine's unknown relation to Persian Gulf War illness. Some feel that the vaccine might not effectively protect

against anthrax weapons that could be used in biological warfare.

Others question why we are using an outdated vaccine to defend against a military threat that has existed for decades. Even commanders in the field are in a quandary over how to convince their troops of the vaccine's safety and effectiveness. All these points serve to complicate the task of Defense Department officials who face the enormous responsibility of protecting our armed forces.

My concerns about the anthrax vaccination policy began when it was announced in December 1997, while I was on my most recent tour of duty in the Persian Gulf. Later, at the request of my commander, I was part of a panel that reported on service members' concerns about anthrax. Many safety issues were

raised.

However, I would like to draw attention to points that are not often brought up during discussions of the anthrax program—particularly questioning whether this program can be a necessary and effective part of military doctrine.

Is it effective, for example, to vaccinate against only one of many possible biological threats? By implying that our troops are protected against one pathogen, is it possible they will become vulnerable to other agents or toxins? Also, deadly consequences are possible for our troops if our civilian and military leaders mistakenly believe that we can withstand a biological attack. Could we create a dangerous facade of protection by using a vaccine that might not protect against all strains of anthrax? Will a doctrine of

defense against biological weapons persuade other nations to institute biological-weapons programs? Could we legitimize biological attacks, at home and abroad, by emphasizing our capability to defend against biological threats?

Some historic context might help answer these questions. After the horrors of World War I, the world's leaders attempted through treaties to ensure that chemical weapons would not be used in future wars. This restraint proved itself in 1945, when even the fading Third Reich of Nazi Germany refrained from staging chemical or biological attacks.

In addition, we might note a parallel between the nuclear threat of the Cold War era and the anthrax threat

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# Comments about contraceptives provided by N.C. State

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<p>"I haven't heard much about them [contraceptives], I just knew they sold them. It's good for students to be able to get contraceptives on campus."</p>	<p>"It's a good idea. It's easier for students to get them. They might not want to think about using them otherwise. They're also a lot cheaper."</p>	<p>"I think it's great and really important that they be available to help prevent STD's. I would go to them for contraceptives."</p>	<p>"I think it's safe to assume people at this age will be experimenting and sexually active. It's definitely a good deal [on contraceptives]."</p>
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all being manipulated."

Indeed the KLA does stand to profit and it is the American people who stand to pay. Not just in taxpayers' money and military hardware, but in the lives of American pilots. This is not Iraq casualties have already been taken and will surely be so again. Our president has already stated that he does not care how many American pilots are lost. This is from a man who ran rather than served when his time had come.

To add insult to injury, the German and Finnish forensic team, headed by Helena Ranta, after examining the bodies of the Racak "massacre," concluded that the Albanians had not been mutilated to death, but had instead been killed by military weapons from long distances. Further more, forensic evidence found traces of gunpowder on their hands, indicating that they had been firing weapons prior to their deaths. These were not innocent farmers.

To summarize, we the American people are about to send our sons and daughters off to fight in an unjustified war and for no clear aims. To add a finale insult, we are being told half-truths and lies and are being treated like ignorant peasants expected only to obediently provide our blood and money to an uncaring administration. I close with this: If you are interested in finding out more, I will leave you with these two addresses: <http://www.siris-us.com/issues.html> and [www.decant.yunet.com](http://www.decant.yunet.com) further. Write your congressman and tell him how you feel about shedding your blood for no good reason.

can just forget it ever happening. He'll never even get his project off the ground. The best way for the administration to kill controversial student issues is to drag them out. If your candidate isn't on the ball, drop him.

◆ Rule number three is "Read the candidate's platform, and consider carefully your decision." This sounds like a "no brainer," but it is completely essential. First of all, platforms are easy to come by. If you can't get a statement of a candidate's goals in the brickyard or on the web, then that candidate isn't trying and shouldn't get a single vote.

Next, consider carefully what the candidates are really saying. Don't automatically dismiss people who think big, and don't rule out those who come to the job with an attitude that is more business-like than collegiate. SBP is a serious job, and an effective leader can accomplish much. Also, carefully weigh the issues, and try to decide which are truly going to make N.C. State a better place.

◆ Finally, look for passion in your candidates. Not charm, not humor and not flowery rhetoric, but passion. The weight of precedence and a frequently intractable administration can knock the wind out of even the most mild proposals, so it is of the utmost importance that the candidate that gets your vote be completely engrossed by his ideas and optimism. Passion is the only thing that can keep a busy staff of students motivated and crotchety Trustees malleable in the face of bold proposals.

*Spend an hour on elections this year researching and voting, and I give my personal guarantee that you will not be disappointed. Vote, and direct all comments to [rcavento@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:rcavento@unity.ncsu.edu) or 512-9799.*

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# Anthrax

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of today. Just as building bomb shelters proved unnecessary against the nuclear threat, perhaps a similar reflexive response to the threat of biological weapons will prove dubious. Our nation's strength and willingness to respond with massive retaliation won the Cold War. This time-tested strategy of deterrence might also be the way to avoid a biological and chemical arms race.

If troops must have protection against biological weapons, it should be part of a broad response to all biological weapons. Besides the procurement of highly pressurized vehicles and structures, a protection strategy should be based on the four foundations of intelligence, threat detection, external protection and medical treatment. These represent a comprehensive method for safeguarding troops from any biological or chemical weapon. In contrast, vaccinations against single biological threats might be an unwise and expedient tactical response to a strategic problem.

This doctrinal debate is healthy and essential to our future. The dialogue should continue within Congress, the Defense Department and America's think tanks.

However, it should be remembered that deviating from past international consensus by passively accepting the inevitability of biological attack is not consistent with our doctrine of deterrence. Indeed, our nation's top civilian leaders should undertake a thorough review of the anthrax vaccination policy. Because the anthrax threat and the vaccine are not new — the shots were first administered about 1970, although the mandatory program began a year ago — it might be wise to step back and determine if a new doctrine that mixes biology and bullets is prudent.

Service members know the risks of their profession and are willing to face them while protecting the nation's interests. When these men and women joined the armed forces, they swore an oath to defend the Constitution and obey the lawful orders of those appointed over them.

Therefore, America's citizens, civilian leaders and military commanders must ask why military pilots are leaving their planes, why Marines are leaving the Corps, why soldiers and sailors are leaving the service of their nation over the anthrax vaccination policy.

These service members are making a principled decision, at significant personal sacrifice, and it is a grave loss for our country. An independent review might find that the policy's costs far outweigh its limited benefits.

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# Swim

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the only freshman in the group, Magnusson is possibly the most experienced of the group. From Kristianstad, Sweden, Magnusson has finished in the top 10 in three different events of the European Swimming Championships while competing for Sweden, but is the only Wolfpack swimmer not competing as an individual.

The Wolfpack has competed in the National Championships 22 times since 1931, the last coming in 1997 when the Pack, led by All-American Magnus Ohlsson, finished 37th at the National meet. The Pack has finished in the top 10 six times, and while the Pack's contingent has little chance to add a seventh to that tally, a championship heat may be in the cards.

"I think that if you took any

four guys from any of the teams, I think that we are just as good as anyone," said Proto. "Some of the bigger named teams, they bring so many guys that they can just race from the pure freestylers, in the free relay, whereas we can't do that."

The quartet has to wait until Friday morning for the big event of the weekend. Competition will kick off on Thursday, but the 200 yard medley prelims will take place Friday morning, with the championship heats taking place in the afternoon.

Magnusson

Proto

Holloway

Whether or not the Pack places into the championship finals, or even the consolation finals, just making the meet is a strong indication of what is to come for the Wolfpack Swimming and Diving program.

The Pack finished fourth at the conference championships as a team, and 22 of the 24 members of the 1998-99 roster with at least a year of eligibility left, the future, is, dare it be said, bright.

"This is the biggest we've been to, we just want something to build on for next year," said Solt.



Proto

Solt

# ACC

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under Keith Unell (217), who began the tournament in fourth place among the leaders with a two-under par opening round, shot 75 and 72 in final rounds to finish tied in the 10th position at one-over.

**Tar Heel claims ACC lacrosse Player of the Week**

# Cub

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A Massage Workshop for anyone interested in learning pain management massage techniques will be held Thursday, March 25 from 5:15-7 p.m. Room 1211, Carmichael. Badminton will be held Friday, March 26 from 6-8:30 p.m., Courts 4&6, Carmichael. Anyone interested

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Senior midfielder Jeremy Carey was named the ACC Player of the Week after helping the 16th-ranked North Carolina men's lacrosse team to a stunning 10-9 victory over three-time defending national champion Princeton.

Carey had a strong defensive effort, finishing the game with two ground balls, four takeaways and two assists. Carey's second assist set up the game-winning score late in the fourth quarter, sending the game into overtime.

**UVA finishes tied at NCAA swimming and diving Championships**

in participating should sign in at either Court 4 or 6. Raquetball will be held Saturday, March 27 from 10-11:30 a.m., Courts W12-W15, Carmichael. Interested participants should sign in at Court W12. Three on three basketball will be held Saturday, March 27 from 11:30 p.m. - Courts 4&6, Carmichael. Anyone interested in participating should sign in with the supervisor at Court W12.

**Other program news**

ATHENS, GA. - The University of Virginia's 400-yard freestyle relay team finished seventh Saturday night (March 20) to help the Cavaliers finish 10th in the NCAA Division I Swimming and Diving Championships at the University of Georgia.

Virginia's 400-yard freestyle relay team finished seventh with a time of 3:20.42. All four members of the relay team earned All-American honors. Arizona won the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:16.49.

The Intramural-Recreational Sports Advisory Board is now accepting applications for at-large membership. All undergraduate students regardless of affiliation with N.C. State IM sports are eligible. The position involves meeting once a month to discuss relevant issues pertinent to IM sports. The position would belong to the chosen student and that person graduates or relinquishes the seat. Interested students should stop by 1000 Carmichael for a preliminary questionnaire.

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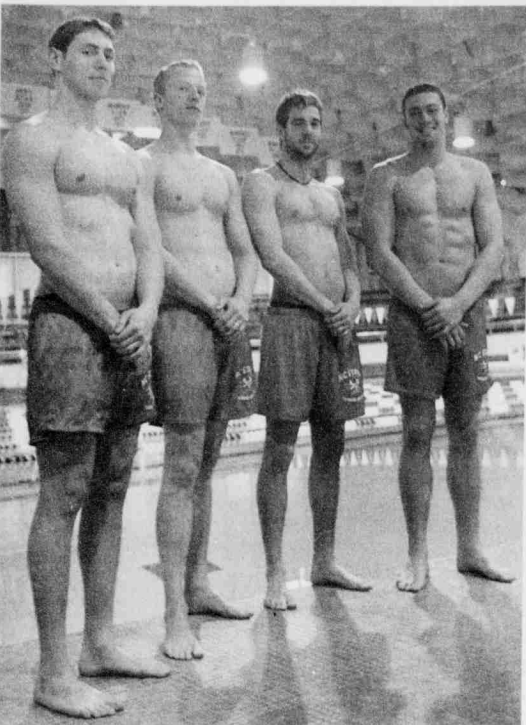
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◆ Four N.C. State student-athletes head to the nation's biggest meet of the year in college swimming.

K. GRIFFNEY  
Sports Editor

They call it "The Meet." And this year, N.C. State will be there. The quartet of Braden Holloway, Greg Solt, Jared Proto and Walter Magnusson qualified for NCAA men's swimming and diving's biggest event, and will be heading to the National Championships this week in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Pack team earned a spot at the meet after posting an "A" qualifying time in the 200 yard Medley Relay at Chapel Hill earlier this season. The team posted a time of 1:28.09 at the Tar Heel Invitational earlier this month, setting a new Atlantic Coast Conference record, the first set by an NCSU swimmer since David Fox, who went on to win Olympic gold in Atlanta.

"This is what we've been working for all season," said Holloway of the meet. "This is the biggest meet in college swimming."

"We are swimming against the best guys in the country, against the best guys in the world for that matter," said Proto. "I am just excited about swimming against some of the names that we always talk about."

But don't expect the group to look like kids in a candy store come race time.

"We know how good we are, and we know what we can do," said Holloway. "I think that we surprised some teams, no one ever really gave us a chance, but we've caught a lot of big-named teams this season."

The Pack relay team has been training together all season, and went undefeated in the regular season, even defeating Florida State in an early-season dual meet. The Seminoles were the only team to beat

the Pack in the 200 medley at the Conference championships in College Park, Md last month. FSU posted an ACC meet record time in the event, beating the Pack team by .31 seconds.

While each of the four, like their other Wolfpack teammates, trains for and competes in individual events, making national in the 200 medley relay has been something that the group has admittedly trained a little harder for this season.

"This is our bread and butter," said Holloway. "We knew that if we had a shot at anything, it was this."

Certainly an underdog, and when stacked up against National powerhouses like Stanford and Michigan, considered a long shot, the four N.C. State swimmers are realistic about their position in the NCAA field.

Following the nature of the medley relay, where each of the four competition strokes, the backstroke, the breaststroke, the butterfly and the freestyle are swum, each of the four swimmers are sprinters in their respective events.

"B," or provisional qualifying times were set by the group in the 400 yard Medley, and the 400 yard and 200 yard freestyle relays. With the "A" time in the 200 yard medley, the Pack is able to compete in any events that a "B" qualifying time was set in.

Three of the four swimmers also set provisional qualifying times in their respective specialties.

Just a junior, Proto is the eldest member of the group and one of the Wolfpack's co-captains, specializing in the breaststroke. Proto, out of Cheshire, Conn., will swim in the 100 yard breaststroke, and event that he finished fifth in at the ACC Championships this season, after taking close to a second off of his championship time from last year's conference meet.

Sophomores Solt and Holloway will also compete in individual events.

Solt, the only true freestyle sprinter in the group, qualified for the 50 yard freestyle at NCAA's, the fastest swimming event in competition in the world. Solt finished sixth at the conference meet in the 50 yard free, and took 14th in the 100 yard, just a year after finishing no higher than 17th in either event at the conference championship as a freshman.

Holloway took third in the 100 yard backstroke, fourth in the 200m Individual medley and seventh in the 200 yard backstroke at the conference championship meet, but will swim only the 200 yard IM and the 100 backstroke individually.

Magnusson is the fourth and final member of the group, specializing in the butterfly, but also competing in the freestyle. As

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Braden Holloway

"The pressure was, for us, just to make it," said Holloway. "Now we are kind of relaxed."

"I think that we have to prove to ourselves, above anything, that we are one of the teams to beat," said Proto.

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## Into the spring of things

◆ N.C. State's football team is sweating it out in Spring practice.

RODRAYO BANUJO  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State Football team has begun its spring practice and next year's expectations are rising. Even though the football season is months away, by the determination of the Wolfpack squad and coaches, you wouldn't know it.

"This team is strong, we are going to accomplish a lot," says rising senior quarterback Jamie Barnette. "I look forward to next season."

This year's team looks to build upon the outstanding performance of last year's freshman class.

"I feel I have to go out there and try my best and continue from where I started last year," said rising sophomore and 1998 Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Year Ray Robinson.



ACC Freshman of the Year Ray Robinson looks to lead the Pack rushing contingent.

"I really don't have any personal goals set. I am just trying to do the best for the team right now."

The team held its first spring scrimmage Feb. 27 at Carter-Finley stadium. "Overall, I was pleased with the effort and intensity today," said O'Caïn, "but we've got a long way to go. I saw some good things out here. We looked solid — on defense, we just had no consistency on offense. Our offensive timing was off, but that's not unexpected after just three days of practice in pads."

Offensively, the team will have to rebound from the loss of All-American Torry Holt.

"Yeah, we are going to miss Torry," said Barnette. "We are going to miss Torry because of his leadership and what he brought to the team."

The also has had to deal with several injuries during spring practice.

"It's the nature of spring practice to have injuries," O'Caïn added. "But the only injury that actually occurred in spring practice was [defensive end] Corey Smith's, and it happened in a non-contact situation. The rest were pre-existing problems."

However, six players, Robinson, Adrian Wilson, Jeff Kuh, William Pannell, Smith and Clint Johnson have had to sit out due to injuries.

Nevertheless, the practices have been good.



The Wolfpack football team will hold its annual spring game on Saturday, March 37 at 1:30 p.m. at Carter-Finley Stadium. The Pack held a spring scrimmage this past weekend at the Stadium.

especially when it comes to the young players on the team.

"It definitely hurts some of those young guys who need to be getting a lot of work. They need reps and experience. We don't do that much contact work in the fall, so the spring is an important time in their development," O'Caïn added.

"Right now, we are working real hard, and if we continue to work this hard we are going to be unstoppable next year," added rising Sophomore Levar Fisher. "We're a lot more mature."

Once things are for sure, the prospects for next season look good. The team looks focused on their goals and knows what it wants. "To get faster, bigger, stronger," says Fisher. "Those are my goals."

Seminoles, Tar Heels and Yellow Jackets beware, Wolfpack football is here to stay.

## Tennis wins ACC opener

◆ N.C. State blanks Maryland, 7-0, at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex Monday.

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State Head Coach Eric Hayes shook up the lineup and the men's tennis team responded, shutting out Maryland, 7-0, in its Atlantic Coast Conference season-opener Monday afternoon at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

The Wolfpack won all six singles matches, led by 6-0, 6-0 wins from Roberto Bracone at No. 1, Eric Jackson at No. 2 and Jeff Smith at No. 5. Freshmen Ryan Boward and Bryce McGrory also won at No. 4 and 6, respectively, for State.



Two-time ACC Player of the Year Roberto Bracone was one of three Wolfpack players to win his singles match 6-0, 6-0 on Monday.

Boward beat John Murchison, 6-2, 6-4, and McGrory beat Dan Kenschalo, 6-2, 6-2.

Shaun Thomas rounded out singles play, defeating Kyle Cerninara, 6-2, 6-2, at No. 3.

Bracone teamed with Thomas to defeat T.J. Klier and Murchison, 8-0 in doubles. Jackson and Smith beat Larry Chou and Cerninara, 8-1. Boward teamed with fellow freshman Deval Desai, and beat Kenschalo and James Legat, 8-3. The Pack is 10-4 overall and 1-0 in the ACC.

State's next match is Thursday against Florida International at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex at 1 p.m. The Pack resumes conference play on Friday, hosting Florida State at 2 p.m.

## Club/Rec/IM Notes

◆ An update on the intramural/recreational sports scene on the N.C. State campus.

Sports Staff Report

The world of intramural sports has been a busy one recently. The following is an update of happenings from around the club, IM and recreational scene at N.C. State.

### Club sports

The men's volleyball team picked up another big win, finishing in first place in a tournament in St. Petersburg, Fla. The squad defeated three ranked teams, including Florida (No. 9 in Division I), Eckerd (No. 4 in Division II) and Palm Beach Atlantic (18th in D-II).

Ryan McGuyre was named MVP of the Tournament, and Scott Martin and Shaun Dyk were also named to the All-Tournament squad. N.C. State defeated Palm Beach in the finals, 15-7, 15-7.

### Intramurals

Track and Field registration began Monday, March 22 and will be open until Monday, April 5 in the intramural-

recreational sports office, 1000 Carmichael Gymnasium.

Results from the basketball championships are as follows:

Fraternity "A," Sigma Chi 39, Delta Sigma Phi 38, Fraternity "C," Delta Sigma Phi 32, Sigma Chi 29, Residence/Sorority: Sullivan 23, Zeta 10, Residence "A," Sullivan 1 48, Metcalf 47, Residence "C," Carroll 54, Bragaw South 53, Women's Open: Aventura Ferry 36, OR 32, Men's Open: Armageddon 41, State Troopers 39, Grad, Faculty and Staff: Duff Abrams 42, Six Pack 40.

The All Campus Men's Basketball Championship will be held Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 on Court 8.

**Informal Recreation/Fitness**  
Wiffleball Tournament/registration opens on Wednesday, March 24, and continues through Wednesday, April 14.

A Yoga Workshop for beginners will be held Thursday, March 25 from 5:15-6:30 p.m., Room 1207, Carmichael. Participants will learn poses, breathing techniques and relaxation techniques.

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## ACC Notes

◆ Sports news from around the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Sports Staff Report

**Tigers make first appearance in NIT Final Four**

CLEMSON, S.C. — In its 11th appearance in the National Invitation Tournament, the Clemson Tigers have made it to the Final Four of the tourney for the first time in school history. Clemson will face Xavier in Madison Square Garden in New York City Tuesday, March 23.

Clemson is the lone Atlantic Coast Conference school remaining in the NCAA Tournament. N.C. State and Georgia Tech all were eliminated by the end of the second round.

**Duke men, women still alive in NCAAs**

DURHAM, N.C. — As of Monday, the Duke Blue Devils still have two teams alive in the NCAA Tournaments. The men are on their way to St. Petersburg, Fla. for their

first Final Four appearance since 1994. The women's team played against three-time defending National Champion Tennessee Monday night in the East Regional Final. Results were not in at press time.

The men defeated Temple to reach the Final Four, where they will meet No. 1-seeded Michigan State. Senior guard Trajan Langdon was named the East Regional's Most Outstanding Player.

**FSU retains No. 1 position in polls**

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. — After a three game sweep of N.C. State, the Florida State Seminoles held on to their No. 1 ranking in the major college baseball polls. FSU went 5-0 last week and has been ranked first in five of the six polls this season.

Florida State plays host to No.3-ranked UNC-Chapel Hill this weekend in Tallahassee.

**Mark Price joins Jackets coaching staff**

ATLANTA, GA. — One of the most respected names in Georgia Tech basketball history joined the Yellow Jacket

basketball staff Thursday, when Head Coach Bobby Cremins announced the hiring of former all-American and NBA all-star Mark Price as an assistant coach with the Tech program.

Price, who joins the Yellow Jacket staff as Tech's third assistant, replaces Gary Leiner who moves into the position of Director of Basketball Operations.

**Maryland golfers finish third**  
Named the ACC Player of the Year by the Associated Press in 1985, Price was also named ACC Rookie of the Year in 1983. Price went on to a 12 year NBA career, earning all-star status with the Cleveland Cavaliers.

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Maryland was two-under par and five strokes off the lead after 18 holes on Friday, but by the close of business Saturday, the Terps were 12-over and 17 strokes off the pace set by champion Coastal Carolina. Junior Gary Mankulish (214) paced the Terrapins with three consistent rounds of 71, par 72, and 71 in the final round to finish alone in third place at two-

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