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New NCSU provost tells all

Ohio State's Kermit Hall tells Technician his plans for NCSU and why he's leaving Ohio State.

Jack Daly News Editor

Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox selected Kermit Hall to permanently replace former Provost Philip Stiles on March 4.

Hall comes to N.C. State to be provost after serving as the dean of the College of Humanities at Ohio State. Hall has a background in constitutional history, and he is slated to replace interim provost Charles Moreland on July 6.

The following is the first part of a two-part verbatim interview Technician conducted with Hall earlier this week. The second part will follow tomorrow.

Technician: First of all, why come to N.C. State? Why leave Ohio State to come to Raleigh?

Kermit Hall: Well, you have a better athletic program. Seriously, the reason for me to move is, well, there are really several reasons. The first is that I was very attracted by what is the history of

North Carolina State with regards to its outreach and land grant mission. I feel very comfortable in a land grant institution; it's a place just like Ohio State in that regard. So that was very attractive. I feel very, very strongly about the value of taking the product of higher education, and of the academic mission, and helping where appropriate to translate it into goods or services or outcomes for the people of the state who after all pay for the university.

The second is that I was enormously impressed by the progress that the university has made, especially over the last decade. I think that Chancellor Monceth and Phil Stiles both contributed a good deal to getting the institution in a position where it has a chance at getting into the Association of American Universities. It isn't going to happen immediately but I really do believe that if someone comes and casts a good eye over the academic fortunes of the institution that it will be realized. I find that very attractive. Ohio State is already in the AAU, what I was really hoping to find was an institution that had a history sufficient that it could get itself in, and I think that is the case with North Carolina State.

The third thing is you all did the absolutely right thing in hiring Marjorie Anne Fox. She's a very visible, highly talented academic and administrator, I was especially looking and trying to strike up a collaboration with a president or a chancellor, as provost, someone who really does have a concern for, and respect for, the academic side of scholarship, learning and research and under-

stands where a big-time research university fits, and I believe that Chancellor Fox does that. So I was very impressed in that regard.

And fourth and finally, despite my background as a humanist and social scientist, I have enormous interest in the physical sciences and really what can be accomplished, especially by taking some of what scientists do, and put them in the framework of a liberally educated person and then take what happens in social sciences and humanities and find some common ground for them. That's why I am coming to North Carolina State.

You do have a background in humanities, and N.C. State is known primarily as a school with a strong background in science and technologies. How do you sort of plan to fuse those two areas together?

The first is that I think for North Carolina State to get into the AAU and to move up, especially compared to its peer institutions, and especially in the Southeast, it's going to have to have better profile with regards to social sciences. I think I can be helpful given my experience there. The university needs more than just a couple of legs — engineering and sciences on the one hand and agriculture and the related areas on the other — to stand on. And I think that Chancellor Fox and I both understand that I have the opportunity to bring some diversity of experience, and that's really what I think is going to happen. But it's not going to come, and I want to stress this as strongly as I can so whatever your readers get out there, but I really want to underscore it, the success of these areas is not going to come at the cost or weak-

ening in any way the traditional areas of strength of the university. That would be a profound and unacceptable mistake, and we are not going to make that mistake. But we can strengthen. I think, both of these areas, be a real force in education in North Carolina, and I mean specifically the College of Education, and at the same time do the kinds things that universities are already doing.

Do you have any plans to teach a history class here at N.C. State?

Yes, absolutely. I feel very, very strongly, and Technician can come by and see me during the Spring Semester of next year, and if I am not teaching, Technician can write an article on how I failed to meet my pledges. But, every place I have been an administrator, including Ohio State, I have taught. I love teaching. I am actually enough of an egoist to think that I do it pretty well, but I also think it's tremendously important in my job to get into the classroom and listen and work with students. I see that both as an obligation and a joy. So my hope is that what I will be able to do is offer...some of things I have done here...I've taught a course on the history of the Supreme Court. I've taught a course on women in the law. There are a number of things that I can do and I am going to sit down with the chair of the history department and see what might be helpful to him. Given my administrative obligations, I am obviously going to have to do this in a way that does not undermine being where people need me, but my experience is that that can be done pretty readily. So that's what I am going to try to do.



Andrew Sullivan addressed a crowd Monday night regarding issues of homosexuality.

Speaker urges acceptance

Andrew Sullivan, journalist and gay rights advocate, kicked off Human Rights Week with his keynote address.

Sarah E. Mirand Senior Staff Writer

In an introduction to N.C. State's 1999 Human Rights Week keynote address on Monday, Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox asserted that "we must be vigilant to protect human rights."

Events like the brutal beating of Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old, gay student from the University of Wyoming, is just one indication that a portion of the population is still uncomfortable with the notion that basic human rights are the prerogative of gays and lesbians.

This was part of a message of "The Politics of Homosexuality," the keynote address given by Andrew Sullivan, journalist and gay rights advocate. It began NCSU's weeklong effort to promote understanding and tolerance.

"I'm no Tinky Winky, but I can hold my own in a discussion of sexuality," Sullivan began. The discussion argued against four of the most prominent political perspectives on homosexuality in our culture, which Sullivan dubbed as prohibitionist, liberationist, conservative and liberal. Sullivan's desire is for fairness, "a policy of simple public equality."

"The government is supposed to represent all the people," he said, advocating for the rights of homosexuals in the military. People who serve their country and risk their lives for their country should not be persecuted or thrown out of the military simply because they are gay, according to Sullivan. Since President Clinton has been in office, the rate of gay men being kicked out of the military has doubled.

"Until you're allowed to defend it, it's not really your country," Sullivan said, asserting the broader truth demonstrated by the first U.S. battle fought by African Americans in the Civil War.

A practicing Catholic, Sullivan also challenged the church's position on same-sex marriages, "currently being denied for no good reason."

There is a strange paradox between promiscuity and monogamy that arises in people's view of homosexuals, according to Sullivan. While homosexuals are accused of promiscuity, the monogamous institution of marriage is most often denied them. "It's like they just want us to disappear," he said.

Throughout Sullivan's presentation, he addressed many of the common assertions regarding homosexuality. One argument is that homosexuality is a disease, malfunction or psychological disorder. If that is really the case, Sullivan queried, where is the organized search for a cure and why are those with this "disease" punished instead of treated?

"The belief that homosexuality is a social construction and not a natural condition was also examined. "Hence, this obsession with the word 'queer,'" he said. The use of the word homosexuality would indicate that it is a naturally occurring orientation — "it is what they are."

Another commonly held perspective privately accepts homosexuals but says they should maintain a low profile.

"If you keep quiet, we'll protect you," Sullivan said of that sentiment.

Still another view is that homosexuals are an oppressed minority.

"The only problem is that in order to destroy the victimization of a group of people, you have to describe them as victims... It doesn't solve the very basic problem of how to integrate homosexuals into society as equals," Sullivan said.

Sullivan's challenge to society to eliminate the marginalization of minorities is echoed in Chancellor Fox's statement "Supporting Diversity and Building the Campus Community Through Tolerance of Individual Difference," which renewed the university's opposition to expressions of hatred and violence directed toward

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Sharks who can swim on the land

While workers redid part of the entrance to the intramural fields, the N.C. State men's swimming team took to the field for some dry land conditioning.

Miko Pittman Staff

Human Rights Week kicks off

Several speakers set the tone for the week's events.

Rshley B. Perry Senior Staff Writer

The opening ceremony for Human Rights Week was held on the Brickyard Monday, March 22 at 12 noon.

Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox gave the preamble in which she listed a few of the events that will occur throughout the week. Fox urged listeners to attend the keynote address from writer Andrew Sullivan in Stewart Theatre. The preamble was followed by an invocation from the Lutheran Campus Chaplain, Rev. Beverly Alexander.

During the almost hour-long ceremony, Patricia Capel of the communi-



Ann Shiver (right), a junior in biology, helps out with information regarding Human Rights Week.

cation department performed Sojourner Truth's famous civil rights speech "Ain't I a Woman." The speech is part of a one-woman show, which Capel performs, on the life of Sojourner Truth.

"I was asked specifically to do this speech for the opening ceremony," said Capel. "I traditionally perform this speech at the Susan B. Anthony dinner."

The speech was originally given during an 1851 civil rights convention in Ohio.

"Sojourner Truth was a slave who was born with nothing... No rights, no possessions," Capel said. "She could not read or write. She was forced to

sell her 13 children into slavery. But because of this, she had a very educated view of the world."

"I hoped to set a tone for the week," Capel went on to say. "We get so busy with our lives that we don't think in depth about other groups and human rights. Hopefully, this week will help us realize that all people are worthy and that everyone should enjoy the same human rights regardless of race, sex or religion."

Capel's performance was followed by a reading of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The 30 Articles of Declaration

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Still no news in Latch assault

Police say they have acquired no new information in the 10 months since the assault took place.

Jimmy Ryals Senior Staff Writer

Nearly a year after a N.C. State professor of over 20 years was assaulted in her Hargett Hall office, authorities still have yet to apprehend a suspect.

"There is no new information at this time, that's the only comment we have," said Melanie Thomas of the State Bureau of Investigations (SBI).

On Tuesday, May 19 of last year, associate mathematics professor Dana Latch was working in her office on the first floor of Hargett Hall. At around 7 p.m., a still-unknown assailant attacked Latch.

Around 11:00 the same evening, a fellow professor, having seen Latch's car and being concerned by her presence so late at night, discovered the severely injured Latch. She was taken to the intensive-care unit at Wake Medical Center in critical condition and released over three weeks later.

The ensuing investigation saw Public Safety seemingly nearing an end when, according to a News and Observer report, a surveillance tape from Melrose Apartments placed a man in Hargett Hall at the time of the attack. Public Safety officials seized the tape on May 28 and issued an arrest warrant shortly thereafter for "assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious injury." The tape, however, led to what turned out to be a dead end.

Since mid-July, law enforcement officers involved with the case have adopted a no-comment position with the press about the investigation.



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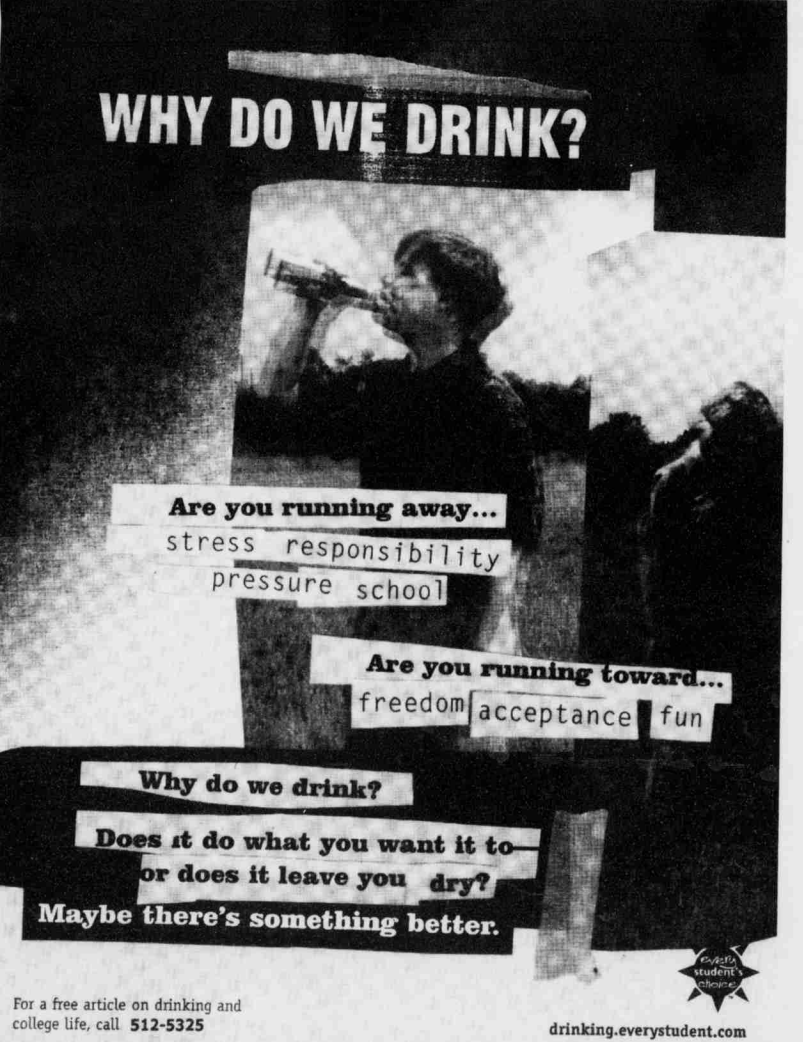
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# Decoding your man's secret primal urges

◆ In another roundtable, our author attempts to figure out the secrets of men.

**MUNIQUE THOMAS**  
Senior Staff Writer

So girls, how many times have we said that we just don't understand boys or called the entire gender stupid idiots? Why are boys such a mystery to us?

I gathered some of NC State's finest male specimens to help girls campus wide gain a better understanding of the male mind. These boys finally had an opportunity to answer all of those questions that girls always wonder about.

The participants for my panel were Cuba, a sophomore majoring in political science; George, a junior majoring in Environmental Engineering; Serge, a senior majoring in Communications and Cleatus, a senior majoring in zoology (pre-med).

Please note that all names have been changed. The roundtable was considerably lengthy so I will summarize the boys' comments for the first half. Boys said that it takes them on the average 20 minutes to get ready in the morning, and they normally throw on clothes that just don't smell. Most of the panelists preferred boxers over briefs for a looser comfort, but they like briefs

when exercising for a snugger fit because nothing dangles too much.

When it comes to urinals, the rule of thumb seems to be to skip one. Men seem to like their personal space and don't take kindly to "peckers." And finally, most guys have a refrigerator full of condiments, drinks and TV dinners.

**Tech: Do all men want to go to bed with two women or at least watch?** Is that the secret fantasy? **Cleatus:** That ain't a secret. I'll be open about that. I'd pay three dollars (jokingly). **George:** There's definitely something about it. When you think about it realistically, I'm not sure about it, but then you just talk about it and you're like that'd be kind of cool. **Serge:** I couldn't do it. I couldn't do it because of... **Tech: Endurance?** (laughter ensues) **Serge:** No, in order for me to do that, I'd blatantly have to have meaningless sex and I don't know if I'd be able to do that. **Cleatus (to the side):** He has a girlfriend now, so he's all about the girlfriend thing. **George:** Yeah, the only way you can feasibly conceive it is if it was just two girls on a random night and never hear about it again... even then I don't know if I'd do it. **Serge:** I wouldn't even watch. **Cuba:** That's not even like my biggest fantasy, even though it would be a lot of fun. **The whole other woman thing gets me. Tech: What do you mean "older woman"?**

**Cuba:** Good looking, experienced, older women. **Cuba:** I meant like between 30-42.

**Tech: What specifically attracts you to a girl? Physically and emotionally.** **Serge:** Physically, first off she can't smoke! Every-one in the room nods and agrees and then after that, she has to be athletic. **George:** Yeah, a physical girl is real attractive. I couldn't get into a Miss Priss — someone who's never done anything physically active. It'd be weird... a lot of stuff would be cancelled out [for us to do] because she wasn't active. **Cuba:** There's a whole bunch of different body types to an athletic girl. There's stocky, girl, skinny girls, tall thin girls, but it's the smile that gets me. **Serge:** And the eyes. **Cleatus:** Physically, it's the hair and emotionally, I like honesty and if they aren't honest, I want nothing to do with them even in little things (everyone agrees) **George:** You said to separate emotional and physical, but to me it's all in one package. There's just a demeanor about a girl I'm gonna like, and there'll be physical characteristics about it and there'll be personality traits. You can just tell by the way she holds herself. She holds herself with self-respect. **Cleatus:** I think grace. I think grace kind of encompasses the hair, the smile, the eyes, the figure and the way she carries herself. If a girl's graceful she has self-respect, and if she doesn't, she at least acts like she does.

**Tech: How will a girl know if you like her?** **Cleatus:** I start stuttering around her, really bad. I'll shake when I'm drinking too. **Cuba:** If I smile at her repeatedly. **Cuba:** You find trouble making conversation with her. **Cleatus:** Sometimes you're really careful of what you say. It's hard to let a conversation flow, you're constantly watching what you say. You're like "I like to ddddddoooooo (stuttering) sesssttttt." **George:** In a girls voice? "Really, what kind of stuff?" **Cleatus:** "Just asssttttt." (laughter) **George:** Yeah, if there's a girl like, I'll just try to hang out with her more. I'll do the stupidest stuff I've never done before and say the stupidest things I would never say. **Serge:** Basically, a girl will have a hard time knowing if a guy likes them, but another guy will be able to look at him for just a few seconds and say "He's got a crush on her."

**Tech: How do you know if a girl likes you?** **Serge:** I have no idea. **Cleatus:** I've never known — I've always been off.

**Tech: Unless they're blatant about it, hanging all over you and things like that, girls that are interested in me, I've never known.** **Cuba:** They come visit more often. **Cuba:** They just come by my room and try to do a little more than they did before. **George:** I would say eye contact. A girl who normally couldn't and all of a sudden starts making eye contact with you.

**Tech: Do guys like it when girls approach them?** **George:** Approach is all right, but not aggressive. **Cuba:** Being aggressive is fine. **Cleatus:** It's just super flattering. It could be any girl if they

approach you so you go home feeling good.

**Cleatus:** I once had a guy hit on me, and the first time I felt really weird about it, and then it was kind of flattering... you go home thinking, "well at least someone thinks I'm good looking."

**Tech: What are some of your best pickup lines?** **George:** There are no good pickup lines. **Tech: Have you ever said one to someone as just a joke?** Oh hundreds of times, and I got the worst reactions. I once asked a friend of mine "Hey Baby, What's your sign?" and she said "Do not enter." They never work. **George:** "If I were a booger, I'd pick you first." **Cleatus:** I don't have one. I just stutter too bad. I'd never get to the end of it.

**Tech: What's intimidating about girls?** **Serge:** A girl that's physically stronger than me. **Cuba:** A girl that's really open about her sexual experiences from the beginning. **Cleatus:** Girls that are really loud and always the center of attention are intimidating because I feel like I always have to be in the center of attention with her.

**Tech: What's the best compliment a girl could give you?** **Cuba:** If they said I would be a good dad. **Cleatus:** The best compliment you could get is just a laugh [about something I said]. **Cleatus:** If a girl tells me that I'm a gentleman, that I'm polite.

**Tech: What's the best compliment you could give a girl?** **Cleatus:** Tell her she's very graceful. **George:** When you're going out, if you tell them they look nice.

**Tech: What's your idea of romance?** **Cleatus:** When they look right into your eyes and smile, even if they're having a bad day. **George:** The best time that happens is in little everyday things when you look at each other and realize you're sharing a moment, but you didn't plan it. **Serge:** Like you kiss her goodnight and notice it takes her a second before she exhales after the kiss.

**Tech: How do you feel about independent women? What if she makes more money than you?** **Serge:** I need an independent woman, because I'm so independent. **Cuba:** Please make more money than me. **George:** Independence is really attractive it goes along with self-respect. **Cleatus:** I love girls that are independent and ambitious.

**Tech: Do guys only want sex and are they afraid of a committed relationship?** **Cleatus:** Right now I'm afraid of a committed relationship because I'm graduating and I don't know where I'm going to be. I'm not that hung up on sex. In the big picture of a really good relationship, it's a really small part of it. It's about eight seconds every other night. But after a year or so (of not having it) it would be really hard. **Cuba:** I'm afraid of commitment because I don't want to have my heart played with. **George:** Guys don't only want sex, but after a while they would want something.



**Legislative Building Cafeteria Downtown Raleigh**



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◆ Legislative building offers food for officials and the ordinary Joe.

**CHIP SMILL**  
Staff Writer

If the dining options at the Atrium and Hillsborough Street restaurants are becoming all too familiar, you can find good food for reasonable prices in an unusual location.

I had heard that the cafeteria at the state legislative building downtown was open to the public and served good, homestyle lunches. I decided to make my old social studies teacher proud and check it out. After driving around downtown for half an hour looking for a parking space, the legislative building appeared around the corner like a scene from my past. I watched several groups line up outside on the front steps, where I was the last time I entered that building, on the notorious fifth-grade field trip.

I walked in the 15-foot tall stately front doors, with red carpet rolled out, and instantly fell out of place. I found a directory on the wall and began scanning the lists of our state senators hoping to find the cafeteria listed before a security guard asked what I was doing.

Then a voice called to me from across the room. It was the information desk lady, and I timidly directed my question to her. She gave me a "you're not from around here, are you?" look, and proceeded to direct me several floors below into the parking garage.

My faith in the government was beginning to waiver until across the rows of expensive sports cars with official legislator plates, I saw my destination. Inside the cafeteria were well-dressed, official-looking people, but also a number of casually dressed patrons. My chicken potpie, stewed okra and tomatoes, salad and rolls (only 10 cents each) were surprisingly good.

For our reading pleasure, the National Forest Service provided place mats testing our forestry IQ, and informing us of the virtues of timber harvesting in North Carolina. For a cafeteria, the service was remarkable: no sooner could I finish with a dish or plate than one of the waiters would whisk it away. I could barely finish my meal, which came to a mere six dollars.

After paying, I was wandering through the parking garage toward an exit, when a BMW sports car with a senate license plate roared past me. In it sat a middle-aged man in a suit and a young lady (intern?). Some questions are best left unanswered. My (mildly) motivated dining experience had surpassed my expectations, and I hope to return before long for some more home cooking.

What IS he thinking?!



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## Grad giving off an "Aura" Airline incentives fly high with customers

◆ Jason Fitzgerald, a graduate of NCSU, has started his own collegiate apparel company, "Aura Sport."

**RYAN HILL**  
Senior Staff Writer

Many people seem to think that once you get out of college, you can either enter into graduate school or get a job that pays OK. There are some, though, that have shown that you can be successful right after you get out of college, and make a few dollars while you're at it. This is one of those stories.

Born in Winston-Salem, N.C., State graduate Jason Fitzgerald actually grew up in Wake Forest town. "It wasn't until my senior year that I had my eyes set on N.C. State. I am glad that I decided on NCSU because it was the best four years of my life," he said.

Since graduating in the spring of '98, he has started his own athletic clothing line, known as Aura Sport. He considered going into a big company like Cisco, but instead decided that he would "bust my tail and learn all the ins and outs of a business and consider doing that on my own and leave behind all of the corporate red tape."

He started to learn everything he could about starting his own company, just about anyone can tell you that it is extremely difficult, partly because if it tanks there is only one person who can pay off the debts; you. The chances of this type of company making it is also very slim.

"You really have to question yourself to see if you are ready to do something on your own. I am not really sure now, but I convinced myself that I was."

"Aura Sport was created shortly after Fitzgerald graduated, and the sky has been the limit ever since. It is a sportswear and apparel company that does customized designs and apparel for anyone who wants

them. Fitzgerald has had numerous customers in the Raleigh area, serving many people that are affiliated with NCSU.

"I have done work for companies like K&W Cafeteria when they put on a huge golf tournament. I have even done shirts for University Towers when they have a building event. I have done work for fraternities, bands, basketball teams, soccer teams and baseball teams. On top of this, I am trying to push my own Aura Sport line."

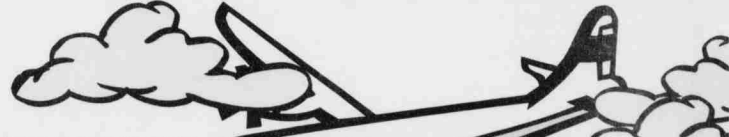
Fitzgerald hopes to be able to get his company into collegiate sports wear. "As a student of NCSU, it drove me crazy when I could go to any store in the mall and find three million UNC items and not find but one N.C. State shirt on the shelf," he said.

Jason hopes to fix this problem with his company. "It is a tough battle, though. First, you have to be approved by the Collegiate Licensing Company and then the University must approve each and every design, and, of course, there are some fees involved. The good thing about this, though, is that for every product sold, a percentage goes directly to that particular university to fund programs and scholarships."

When he has reached his goal of making a lot of NCSU apparel, he is going to make sure that all of the country can get them. "Once all of this is settled, I will make these unique designs available online at [www.aurasport.com](http://www.aurasport.com), so fans anywhere in America can buy merchandise for their favorite team. To this point, I have one product for N.C. State, but more are certainly on the way."

Jason Fitzgerald has shown that with a little hard work and perseverance, anyone can be successful. His clothing line of sportswear is on the brink of becoming huge, and what makes it amazing is he graduated just one year ago.

As he puts it in his own words, "The best is yet to come."



By JOHN BRILEY AND CRAIG STOLTZ  
The Washington Post

Airlines don't just want your patronage. They want your loyalty. For the past 20-plus years, their primary tool for encouraging consumer fidelity — and for discouraging shopping the competition for price or service — has been the frequent-flyer program. But now, with the mainstream acceptance of the World Wide Web among air travelers, carriers have a second tool — the airline Web site — to draw you more snugly into their corporate embrace. By offering a Web site that's genuinely useful and informative — as opposed to merely promotional — airlines can create a valuable link directly to their best customers. Yes, Web sites that offer online booking can save airlines money by reducing commissions paid to travel agents, fees paid to computerized central reservation systems and the high costs of live phone operators. But if an airline creates a Web site that meets and anticipates flier needs with a wide range of services and information, it has yet another tool to keep its best customers away from those annoying fare sales and stray deals others might offer. Perhaps more importantly, it can also keep them away from independent Web-based agencies, like Preview Travel

and Expedia, which encourage users shop the market for price.

As you might have already guessed, the industry that has given us such customer service innovations as the seven-peanut snack and the \$75 ticket change fee still has a long way to go in adapting this new technology to meet customer needs.

Some highlights: Northwest was the award for knowing who its audience is and what it wants, by offering best-of-breed Web-based services for frequent fliers. These services include not only online enrollment and an updated report of account information but, yes, the ability to book award travel on line.

United and American win the Enlightened Self-Interest award for permitting users of their sites to price and book flights on other airlines, too — making them the only lines brave enough to suspend the fiction that one carrier can meet any travel request. Of course, both carriers have massive route structures, meaning they more than others can afford such apparent magnanimity. But it also suggests that United and American understand the value of pro-

viding inducements for users to make their sites their online "homes" — even at the expense of losing an occasional ticket sale. Two weeks of hard work on the ClubMaster for US Airways, whose ticket pricing and booking system requires you to select a flight from a series of choices whose prices you don't know until after you've made the selection — a stunning misreading of user needs that, given the fact that US Airways's system is unique in this regard, defies explanation.

By contrast, Southwest's pricing-and-booking tools remain at the top of the industry in terms of elegance and ease of use. Surprisingly, there is very little creative bribery — incentives to use the site for booking or information rather than use the phone or an independent agent — going on. Southwest, as usual, leads the pack with a generous program that doubles rewards for online bookers, and provides them with instant access to Freedom Awards status.

"If you haven't got anything nice to say about anybody, come sit next to me."  
-Alice Roosevelt Longworth

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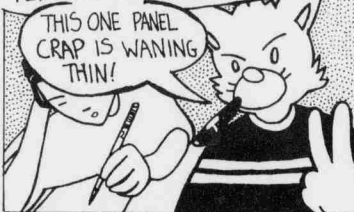
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Technician's View

# NCSU joins 'McWorld'

◆ A CHASS Symposium rightfully sheds some light on how a global commercial culture affects even the NCSU community.

Students do care about global issues.

This was evident by the number of students that crowded into the Walnut Room today in order to listen to distinguished professors and political scientists debate whether or not citizenship can survive the "McWorld" in the 21st Century.

At the heart of the debate was the idea that humans are no longer citizens, but replaced as consumers within a homogenous culture. Most every aspect of life is now marketed with one goal in mind: to make money. By this, marketers set the agenda.

Unfortunately, just like the rest of society, the NCSU community finds it convenient and is comfortable with marketers catering to their needs as if they are drones in a "McWorld." As guest speaker Benjamin R. Barber, Walt Whitman Professor of Political Science at Rutgers University, pointed out, this globalization is irreversible and even universities have sold themselves to

this homogenized culture.

Case in point: When NCSU decided to sell itself to Pepsi and only Pepsi. The university had no shame in selling to the highest bidder and that's why Coke got the boot. Not even institutions of higher education refuse to submit their clients and employees to a commercialized campus.

Critics would say that the idea is cynical and corporations are just taking advantage of monetary opportunities that anyone else in their shoes would jump at. However, it is hard to ignore the fact that by limiting the variety of goods on campus, students lose buying power. One of the key foundations to a democracy and capitalism is the idea of a free market. Students lose their power to drink whatever they want when Pepsi products are the only carbonated beverages available on campus. That's the kind of indifference corporations rely on and work hard to facilitate.

The College of Humanities and Social Science should be commended for bringing such a consequential and international topic to NCSU. Most students are oblivious to the issue and it's relevance to their lives. It's "McTricky" just how blind humans are to the powers that be and the powers that buy.

CAMPUS FORUM

## America not ready to seek women in combat

Please, please tell me that last Thursday's editorial "Women Drafted Too" was the product of one poor misguided individual. Collectively, at least Technician editors could not be so foolish. I'm certain the editorial was an attempt to lambaste the military and further the cause of women's rights. However, the only thing it accomplished was to demonstrate the willingness of some people to write on subjects on which they are completely ignorant.

Let me first say that although I am a Marine, I am not writing on the behalf of the Marine Corps or any military service. These opinions are my own. I would, however, like to emphasize that I do have military experience, which is clearly not the case with the editors of Technician.

Your editorial points to Shannon Faulkner's experience at the Citadel as an example of how women typically are treated in today's military. This comparison is ridiculous and irresponsible. In the first place, the Citadel is a private institution that has little in common with the armed

forces beyond the uniforms and marching. Secondly, Shannon Faulkner was in no way prepared for the rigors she knew she would face there, she survived less than a week of training, and she deserved what she got. Rather than use her case as an example of misogyny, women should be outraged at the embarrassment she has caused them.

I am not going to argue that there is no sexism in the military today, but I will say that women themselves are responsible for most of this behavior. Personally, I am not opposed to women in the military. I feel all citizens, regardless of race, sex, or even physical handicap should have the privilege to serve. However, what I do resent is that the standards have been changed to accommodate women.

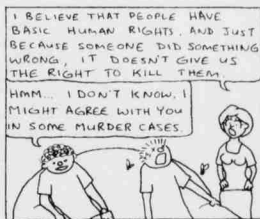
For example, women in the Marine Corps are given a different, less demanding test of physical fitness. Also, they have different grooming standards. Men are required to do pull ups as a test of upper-body strength and women are not. Male recruits have their heads shaved in boot camp and then must keep their hair short for the remainder of their service, while women are not.

It is also true that other than as pilots, women are excluded from

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# Sensations of true hunger

ELIINA HOLBURN  
Staff Columnist

Quite often we may feel a pang in our stomach that lets us know that lunchtime is near or dryness in our throat that encourages us to take a sip of water from the drinking fountain. We refer to these sensations as hunger and thirst. Cravings and desires to meet our satisfaction. Yet, the hunger that we feel is trifling compared to the hunger that burns in the souls of the truly impoverished and unfortunate throughout the United States and the rest of the world. In truth, we can not imagine the suffering that real hunger creates.

Hunger and poverty are the greatest challenges that face our world today, and the problems associated with them continue to grow. Why are more than 840 million people in the world hungry, including 30 million in the United States, according to Oxfam America? This fact is not due

to the overpopulation in the world. Enough food is produced worldwide to feed everyone. The unequal distribution of food and resources in the world causes the richer countries, about one-quarter of the population, to use three-quarters of the global resources.

In addition, hunger results from debt and interest payments owed by the poor countries to the rich ones. These unnecessary circumstances cause agony for the impoverished nations of the world and even the deaths of their citizens. In fact, 34,000 children under the age of five die every day from hunger and its related causes, according to Oxfam America.

To see this more clearly, visualize a child dying every 2.5 seconds due to the impossibility of maintaining a nutritious diet or even receiving one that would keep his or her heart beating. These dismal truths pervade our world and the easiest way for us to deal with them is place them in the

back of our minds and continue with our own lives as though they do not exist.

Unfortunately, hunger is affecting those in our community and around the globe. Hunger is not the lack of a complete nutritious breakfast or a satisfying dinner consisting of all the main food groups. Hunger is far beyond our perceptions and can not be measured by our thoughts, as it is something that most of us have not and never will experience.

Hunger is the 36-day fast by Caesar Chavez, a social justice organizer and leader of the United Farm Workers, to bring about change for the world's backbone. Hunger is the mass of millions of people who die from war-related hunger and disease when crops are burned and destroyed and families are forced to flee their homes. Hunger is the span of children across South Africa that are eating grass daily in an attempt to fill their bellies and stay conscious. Hunger is feeling utterly hopeless.

Making changes in these occurrences are possible. There are even students right here at N.C. State that are organizing and implementing ideas to help expedite the end of hunger and poverty. Hope For the Homeless, Inc., a student organization whose aim to grasp the problems of hunger and homelessness, and the Fountain Dining Hall initiated a Food Salvage program last two years ago. An average of 200 pounds of food is now transported to the Faith Rescue Mission each night and distributed to other local shelters in need. Programs such as these are in action and making progress across campuses worldwide. Everyone can be a part of the fundamental stride toward furthering human rights and putting an end to the needless suffering of mankind. As Anthropologist Margaret Mead once stated, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change

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# Politicians drag students into their game

ANDREW PAYNE  
Staff Columnist

When I first came to N.C. State, we began the school year on a Wednesday, and we even had the Wednesday off before Thanksgiving. It made life so much simpler. I became acquainted with being in college and got situated on campus. It also made it easier by not having to travel on Wednesday nights with the rest of the world attempts to dash home for Thanksgiving.

Those were the days until the General Assembly mandated that we go a couple of days extra to school. Who are they to dictate to the faculty how many days are necessary for them to convey their subject matter to students?

Too many times does it seem that our friends in the North Carolina General Assembly and the Governor's mansion levy broad mandates on the UNC System, subsequently adversely affecting students.

Bad politicians love to use these tactics to get elected and re-elected. It sounds great to hear a politician utter sound bites like "I'm for improving higher education in North Carolina." I caution people when they hear phrases like that. Too often they come at the students expense.

What improvements are they looking for?

Increasing the number of school days in a year is not necessarily an educational improvement. Are NCSU graduates better today

because they attended twelve more days in their college career as opposed to an alumnus who graduated 10 years ago? Better yet, will I be making more money after graduation because I sat through a few more lectures than my predecessors did? I think that to a certain goal bidding for votes, it sure does sound good.

Now the governor has gotten into the act. Since the beginning of his tenure in office, Governor Hunt has always preached improving education, realizing that education, especially post secondary, is the economic and social backbone of our state. He has done a fairly good job until now, but unfortunately guess who is ending up paying for it — us.

In his new budget, Hunt is asking

the Board of Governors to come up with millions of dollars to supplement his expenditures and to fund his better school initiative.

If our leaders in the state government are going to use education as a sounding block and political tool, don't drag students into your game.

I am all for better education, considering those massive capital improvements needed and the increase enrollment the UNC system must bear. However, if higher education is a priority and such a necessity to our well being, find other ways to fund increase expenditures.

The only way for the Board of Governors to raise funds is to increase our tuition. To me, that makes Governor Hunt's proposal a

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# NCSU grows as the value of a degree plummets

MIKE HALBERT  
Staff Columnist

There are too many people in college. Does that sound like an outlandish comment? Ok, well, maybe there are too many colleges, either way the outcome is the same. It causes a decrease in the value of a college degree. In the past 30 or so years, it has become so common for people to go to college that the value of a college degree has gone down tremendously. The colleges of America, in the past few decades, have become filled with students who don't care about college and don't even want to be in college, yet they are taking up space here because it is what society tells them to do.

Everyone goes to college these

days. It is outrageous. There are people here at N.C. State that I went to high school with and they barely made it out of high school with an acceptable GPA. They are here because they went to a smaller, less reputable school and then transferred. These are people that go to schools with names like North Hanover Technical Junior Community College (if you haven't ever heard of NHTJC, don't worry, I made it up). Students from these schools can easily transfer into a better school that they shouldn't be allowed to attend.

There are people at NCSU right now that couldn't get into our school because their grades were too low, but after they paid a little money to a cupcake college in another part of the state we are happy to take them in. Why are

they here? Again, it is because society tells them they have to be, and their parents have the money to put them through four years.

Not everyone should go to college. It lowers the bar for the people who should be here. Colleges are overcrowded and understaffed. We should go back to making college a place for those who deserve to go there. Those students who want to do well and will give everything they have to learn what they need to know in school. Now I know there are those of you out there who say I am being elitist and that everyone deserves a higher education, and there are those who say that a more educated society is better for everyone. Personally, I think they are full of it.

If we as a society spend the extra money to send students to college

that should not be there, we are only wasting our money and their time. A student who is not interested in his or her classes and does not want to be in college should not be here. It is plain and simple by putting these types of students through four years of college we are merely wasting our money (that could go toward other students) and wasting that student's talents. There are a vast number of students in the university system (across the United States) that should not be there.

Let me ask you something. If everyone in America had a college education, how valuable would yours be? It's a simple case of supply and demand. If we increase the supply of workers with college degrees, the demand by employers

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the world, indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." As college students, we must follow these words by announcing the need for change and organizing ourselves to bring forth awareness and modification of the current problems that inhabit society.

farce, making the most vulnerable, students, foot the bill.

By the way, if you want the *Wednesday* off before Thanksgiving email Andy Nowell at [andy.nowell@ncsu.edu](mailto:andy.nowell@ncsu.edu). Chair of the Registration, records and calendar Committee, and tell him you support the student calendar proposal.

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goes down, and the past four years of your life are wasted. Jobs will go to people less qualified than you who were forced through the university system because mommy and daddy had the money, not because the wanted to be here.

Many of you out there are wondering why this pertains to us here at NCSU, well let me tell you. The university is planning on moving toward a policy of over-enrollment in the next five years. That's right everybody, 5,000 more students in the same facilities you are using now. Thought you were cramped in your dorm and in the dining hall now? Come back when the undergraduate population is 28,000 students and see how miserable students are then.

The only way to stop the influx of less motivated and less talented students who shouldn't be here is to have higher standards of admission and retention. Let's raise the bar back up in this university (and others across the United States) to a standard we can be proud of. Let's make college what it used to be. A group of elite scholars attending one school and earning a valuable degree that they can put to use in our society.

Care to tell me about your community college experience? What I am an elitist pig? Other comments, email Halbert at [Mshalbert@univ.ncsu.edu](mailto:Mshalbert@univ.ncsu.edu).

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combat. Your statement that women are paid less than a man is blatantly false. The military pay scales are arranged by rank and have nothing to do with gender. The only instance in which men might be paid more is in the case of front-line troops, which would not usually include women, receiving hazardous duty pay. These examples illustrate just a few ways in which the military system has been eased to accommodate women. Does war become less difficult when women are fighting?

So, why do these discrepancies exist? The answer is that this is the way that the majority of women, and Americans in general, want things to be. Why else would women submit to these differences? Your editorial ends with the statement that equality for our military women will be achieved only when the military reviews the roles it assigns women. I say that equality will be achieved only when women demand to be evaluated the same way as men, especially physically.

The duties I am expected to perform as a member of the infantry are very demanding physically. However, just as there are many men who are not equal to the task, there are undoubtedly some women who are. I would welcome them into the ranks just as soon as they proved this to me.

A larger problem, though, is that Americans, whether they know it or not, do not really want their women to fight. It is bad enough to see our young men consumed by violence. None of us is truly ready to see our women dying on the evening news. For example, I can remember the shocking scenes of American soldiers being mutilated and dragged through the streets of Mogadishu. As horrible as this image was, it would have been even worse if those Rangers had been female. It doesn't take much imagination to think that full-scale war might have followed.

In closing, I would charge the editors of *Technician* to learn a little bit about a subject before expressing their opinions in print. This campus has a large military presence. Men and women from each of the armed forces are students here, and perhaps in the future their expertise should be taken advantage of. Learning from each other is an important part of the university experience.

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Sullivan is the former editor-in-chief of "The New Republic." As the youngest editor in its history, Sullivan distinguished himself by exploring the more sociological facets of politics.

"Virtually Normal: An Argument about Homosexuality," Sullivan's most recent book, "Love Undetectable," uses his own HIV diagnosis as a touchstone for a controversial examination of friendship, sex and survival.

"People think it's all about sex. Of course, to some extent it is, but most of us in relationships spend our time trying to find something approximating love," concluded Sullivan.

# Human

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were read by various people within the campus' international community, many of whom spoke in their indigenous dialects.

"This is a time for students to learn, to question, to debate and exchange views," said Tomas Carbonell, a student member of the Human Rights Week committee. Carbonell read, in Spanish, Article 26 of the Declaration.

Many observers of the ceremony were moved by Capel's speech, as well as by the reading of the Articles of Declaration. Among them was senator Kitu Faruq.

"I think it's awesome," said Faruq. "It's important for us to celebrate the diversity we have on campus. I think it's good to finally begin putting a face and a dialect to diversity and to show people that human rights are the same around the world."

According to Walter Clark, chair of N.C. State's Human Rights Week Committee, "Many of the events for this week are about fairly controversial issues. We hope that these events will provide a platform for discussion, and understanding. We extend an opportunity for all student organizations who wish to participate to do so."

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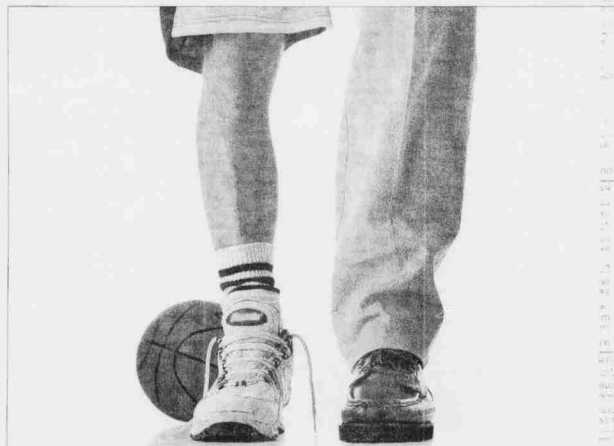
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12-12 with a 6-8 conference record (which, coincidentally was good enough for fifth place in the ACC). One year after that, UNC-CH began its incredible streak of finishing in the top three of the conference that is still going today. Krzyzewski? Not even close. Coach K was just 11-7 and 3-11 in the ACC in 1982-83. Three seasons later the Devils were playing in the national championship game. And the programs that Krzyzewski and Smith inherited were certainly in better shape than the N.C. State program. Sendek took over in 1996.

In other words, lets not judge

Sendek quite yet. The team has made progress and gotten better each of his three years and that is all one can ask at this point. However, if State is lamenting another NIT second round loss this year next year, the doubt may then, but only then, be justified.

Hang in there Wolfpack fans, and give the man a chance to do his job. Sendek is working hard to raise a few more banners in the new Entertainment and Sports Arena. Besides, who are we to question a man who has made a career of coaching?

So let's back off of the criticism and show the man a little support. If the next few years go as planned, we are all in for a treat courtesy of coach Sendek and his staff.



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## Georgia: one of a kind

◆ The Wolfpack gymnastics team's trip to Georgia was an experience like no other.

JEREMY BRITTON  
Staff Writer

Every sport has a dynasty, one team that has a tradition for dominating over all others. Wrestling, for example, has Iowa. The road to the women's basketball title always goes through Tennessee. And, UNC-Chapel Hill is the unquestioned favorite in women's soccer every year.

But, as N.C. State witnessed first-hand on Saturday evening in Athens, no team has a stranglehold on its sport quite the way Georgia does in gymnastics. The Gym Dogs are always loaded with the country's top talent and usually find themselves ranked among the elite.

Since the NCAA started holding a national championship for gymnastics in 1982, they have won four titles with the most recent coming last season and seem primed to take another one.

"They're a good team," observed State Head Coach Mark Stevenson. "I personally don't think there is a team in the country that can beat them."

With Georgia, though, it is not necessarily all the accolades it has received over the years that give the program its mystique. It is the way the Gym Dogs and their fans treat a gymnastics meet.

When the Wolfpack began competing Saturday in Stegeman Coliseum, there were 9,302 fans there to greet them, a near-sellout crowd. For Georgia, it is a regular occurrence. State

has been lucky to get crowds half that size at home this season.

The atmosphere at Saturday's meet was also something different for the Pack. A gymnastics meet at Reynolds Coliseum. The Gym Dogs are introduced with a light show and fireworks. A big screen TV at one end of the arena highlights routines. And, the crowd is always into the action exploding in a chorus of cheers every time one of their own completes a routine.

"Georgia is one of the most wonderful venues to walk into because they have 9000 - 10,000 people there. It's a huge show," said Stevenson. "They run a meet the way a meet is supposed to be run."

"Of course, all that noise can be distracting for opponents who are still performing routines. It's really loud," said junior Jenny Sommer. "You can't even hear each other cheering. But, that's something that you have to be able to block out."

However, the fans are also quick to applaud the efforts of others. As many of the State gymnasts pointed out, it is fun to compete in a setting where there are so many people cheering you on.

"The fans were great and supportive of us. They really made us feel good," said sophomore Amy Langendorf.

Obviously, the Gym Dogs' success has a lot to do with that circus-like feeling, but money is the main factor. The athletic department at Georgia gives its gymnastics program the money to advertise in newspapers and on billboards. In fact, Saturday's meet was shown on live TV across the state.

"It costs a lot of money to do that, and that's just not where we are at this point," said Stevenson.



Adding teams like Georgia to its schedule has helped the Pack gymnasts develop into a team competitive for a spot at NCAA's.

## Too early to judge

COMMENTARY

Tim Hunter

Oh, how fickle we sports fans can be.

A year ago at this time, N.C. State men's basketball fans could not brag enough about Head Coach Herb Sendek. His first two teams made it to the postseason for the first time in years and he was bringing in recruits like Wolfpack fans hadn't seen since the 1980's. He was to be the next legendary coach in a long line of legendary coaches, and would surely have the Pack back among the nationally prominent.

Now, after another second round exit in the National Invitation Tournament and a mildly successful season, the fans are turning. Believe it or not, some of these same fans that lauded Sendek not so long ago are calling for his head now. Not that I'm surprised in this world of "what have you done for me lately?"

After Sendek took a team that didn't have a bench or a starter over six-foot-six-inches tall to the Atlantic Coast Conference Championship game his first year, you would have thought he was Everett Case reincarnated if you had listened to State fans at the time. But a mere two seasons later, many of the same fans are saying that Sendek isn't doing the job. This year's team should have made the NCAA, they said. They should have beaten UNC-Chapel Hill.

Well, those fans may be right. The 1998-88 squad could have made the NCAA Tournament, and certainly had more talent than any Wolfpack team in recent years. A win at Virginia and another one against Wake or UNC-CH and the team would have been in "the Dance."

But what I'm here to tell you is don't jump the gun. To begin with, this year's team was more successful than many of us would like to think. Nineteen wins and a fifth-place finish in the ACC (albeit in a weak year for the conference) are the school's best since the 1990-91 season. And let's not forget this was a team with no seniors and the usual injury problems. I will be the last one to make excuses, but a team as young as this can be expected to experience a little inconsistency.

What I'm saying is that this season was a good progression for the success that is surely to come soon. The next two years look brighter than any the past decade, with every key returning and more big-name recruits coming in. The type of program that we all want takes time to build, it doesn't happen overnight. And Sendek has shown he is just the man for the job.

"Our program is in great hands," former Head Coach and NC State legend Norman Sloan said the weekend before the Florida State game. "I could not be more impressed with Coach Sendek and his staff and we are going to see wonderful things for years to come."

I don't know about you, but I trust Coach Sloan's opinion. So let's not judge the man just yet. Three years is simply not enough time to do what he and Director of Athletics Les Robinson envision for NC State.

After three years at Duke, Blue Devil fans had enough of a young Polish coach by the name of Mike Krzyzewski. They compared him to a fiery coach over at State named Jim Valvano, who had also been coaching for three years. Valvano had already won ACC and NCAA titles, and this Krzyzewski guy just couldn't compete with him. It's time to move on, Duke fans were saying.

Fifteen years later, isn't the Duke administration glad they stuck with Coach K? I think so.

Just look at the numbers. In his third season at UNC-CH, the legendary Dean Smith was a mere



The Pack competed against the No. 1 Georgia last weekend for the second time in as many seasons.

## 1999 EAGL

## Pack Nine gets back to basics

◆ The Pack Nine readies for its second match-up of the season with The Citadel today at 3 p.m.

K. GRIFFNEY  
Sports Editor

Forget about rankings. Forget about winning streaks. Forget about the umpire's strike zone. And just play.

That is the message Wolfpack Head Baseball coach Elliot Avent has implored his players to use.

After starting the season with a mark of 17-1, and a 10-day stretch in the middle of the month which included two conference series and a couple of non-conference match-ups has left the Pack at 20-6 heading into today's game with The Citadel.

And while 3-5 over the last eight games is hardly commonplace for Wolfpack baseball, the concern isn't the outcome of the games, but rather how the Pack arrived at those outcomes.

"We're not playing the game the way that it is designed to be played. We're not giving everything to this wonderful game that you are supposed to just to have a chance to win" said Avent prior to the Pack's Tuesday afternoon practice. "This game was designed that you can't take three hours of (batting practice) and expect to get a hit. You can't take 200 ground balls and expect to make the plays. This is a game of failure."

"You may have to work six, eight, 20 or 30 hours a week for 10 or 15 years and not think that the game is going to repay you with 3-4 or fielding .975 or going 6-0 with two shutouts. This game will never give you back the amount of work and time and effort that you put into it."

"If you can't be satisfied with whatever the game gives you back, whenever it feels like it is time for you to deserve something and if that is not good enough for

you and you get a defeated attitude, if you can't handle that adversity, then this game is going to tear you apart." Avent went on to say.

"The only thing that you can be sure of in this game is if you ever slack off and don't work hard, then this game will give you back nothing at all."

For the Pack, getting back on track starts now, not only with The Citadel, but also in day-to-day practices.

"We have the approach that we are just going to take it day-to-day, and it starts today in practice," said senior captain Brian Ward on Tuesday. "Today in practice is preparing us for tomorrow, and for this weekend. We have a new attitude that we are going to go into everything that we do ready. We aren't going to look at (this weekend's three game set with Virginia) as a series, we are just going to take it day by day and work from there."

"We know that we haven't played the way that we are supposed to play. But we know that we are a good team and that there is no reason that we can't win every game," said Ward. "We're not really panicking, we just need to make a few changes."

And for today at least, the challenge comes in the form of the Citadel Bulldogs.

"More importantly, it is not playing The Citadel or how The Citadel plays, we've got to get back to doing things the right way and playing a little harder," said Avent.

State already matched-up against the Bulldogs, with senior starter Dustin Baker picking up his first win of the season as the Pack won, 5-3.

"The first time that we played them, I was surprised that the game got out of hand as quickly as it did," Avent said. "Every game you play The Citadel, you know that you are playing a great team, they are extremely disciplined, they are very well coached. You are going to have to beat them because they are not going to beat themselves."

"They play hard, they know how to play. They are always one of the teams that you need to beat to get a regional bid (in the NCAA Tournament)," said Ward.

Ward had three RBIs and a run scored in the Pack's first game, where freshman reliever Dan D'Amato pitched three scoreless innings for his first save of the year.

D'Amato is slated to start against the Bulldogs. The left-handed hurler has made 10 relief appearances already this season, with today's game marking his first start.

Game time is set for 3 p.m. at Doak Field on N.C. State's West Campus.



## Women's Tennis

N.C. State vs. Richmond

When: Today at 2 p.m.  
Where: Richmond, Va.

The Scoop: N.C. State is on a tear through its non-conference schedule. The Pack defeated the Spiders 5-4 in Raleigh last season. State is led by junior Marissa Gildemeister, who has won all eight of her last singles matches at the No. 2 spot. The Pack is coming off of a 7-2 victory against Furman, which improved the Pack's record to 9-2 overall.

## Men's tennis program earns national recognition



The Wolfpack men's tennis team earned its highest ranking ever this week, at No. 24 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association's national rankings. No. 7 Duke is the only ACC ranked higher than the N.C. State.



Brian Ward makes a tag at second this weekend.