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NCSU is "taking actions" to ensure that the cam pus-wide computer system is seamless between Unix and NT.

Windows added to system

♠ At the request of professors, Dell computers with Windows NT are being incorporated into the labs to expose students to the primary computer system of the professional

ZACK MAZER

When the Unity computer lab on the bottom floor of Daniels Hall moved across the street to the Laundry/Copy Center building, a new, bigger space was not the only change.

The lab also received a slew of new Dell workstations, at \$4,000 a piece, featuring Microsoft's Windows NT system, which are currently being integrated into the university's computer "environment," according to Tom Miller, the associate dean of engineering.

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Student phone options cut

this year for the phone service option they want for the next school year

EMILY TOWNLEY

The N.C. State Department of Telecommunications has decided to

Telecommunications has decided to eliminate optional packages for next year's student telephone services in an effort to manufan efficiency and ensure overall student satisfaction. The department is conducting a survey to obtain the majority opinion of the students body before determining the services for next year's spackage. "Our choice will be solely based on the majority opinion of the students, as taken from this survey," said Dawn Best, student communications supervisor.

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According to Best, the students are asked to choose between two options for phone services for the 1999-2000 academic year. If the majority of surveyed students prefer option one, the package for every student on campus will include local phone service, voicemail and call waiting and will cost \$117.

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If the survey indicates that students prefer option two, all students will receive call return, also known as *69, in addition to the components of option one and will pay \$125.00 for their service.

This is the first year that the depart-ment has offered call waiting as a fea-ture every student automatically

receives. Best anticipates that the sur-vey results will indicate that students who prefer option two will automati-cally receive call return next year, as

who prefer option two will automatically receive call return next year, as well.
Students will no longer have the options that include call forward or three-way calling, Best said.
"Beverly Armwood, business manager, has done cost analyses of the services we provide and had the numbers of students utilizing each service this year tallied," Best said. "So few students use call forward and three-way that we decided that it would be most cost-efficient to remove these services for next year's options."
Best said that she has heard some negative feedback, as students wish to have the package choices they have had in the past.
"I'm personally in favor of having the option to choose the services that best fit my needs, but I understand the predicament telecommunications is in, as they try to efficiently divide phone bills and satisfy students. It does seem though that they are streamlining the system by putting everyone into the same category, said Emily Landers, a junior in premed/agriculture extension and education.
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According to Best, the department has eliminated choices it provides to students gradually since it began servicing students' telephone plans in August 1993.

"We offered several services for awhite and have just gradually pared down as fewer and fewer students actually sign up for the extra options.

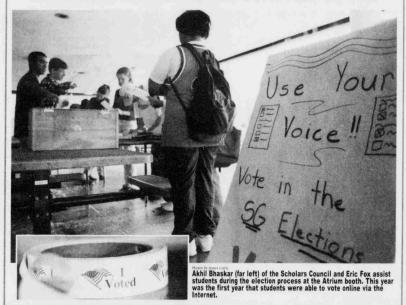
1.On-Campus service local phone service, voicemail and call waiting. Cost: \$117

2.On-Campus service with local phone service, voicemail, call waiting and call return(*69). Cost: \$125

There are actually very few universities that do provide television and telephone packages the way we have in the past." Best said.

According to Best, the department can work much more efficiently toward meeting the needs of the students by eliminating the choice students by eliminating the choice students by eliminating the choice students have in service packages. Next

Concerned students take time out to rock the vote



Students walk for a life-saving cause

♦ Les Robinson chairs the upcoming March of Dimes that aims to curb infant mortality.

JOHN BORWICK

An estimated 3,500 people will walk on April 24 in the March of Dimes 29 annual Walk America fundraising campaign.

Les Robinson, the N.C. State University athletic director, is serving his second year as honorary chair of Walk America. He recently recorded a public service announcement in Reynolds Coliscum to promote the 6.2-mile walk.

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Robinson has a long history of community service. His name attracts attention and support for the March of Dimes, as it has for other charities he supports like the Make-a-Wish foundation.

Volunteers soliciting donations and corporations sponsoring employees raise the money for Walk America. Anyone can participate.

Two student groups, the Golden Key National Honors Society and National Honors Society and Agriculture Extension & Education Club, have already volunteered, said March of Dimes spokesperson Jill



Binford.

The athletic department will advertise the walk this year at Captains' Roundtable meetings, but the department is not recruiting other student groups because of the difficulty in coordinating a campus-wide campaign. Student athletic groups and staff members from NCSU makedel last year, along with Mr. and Mrs. Wolf, the NCSU mascotts. March of Dimes coordinators expect turnout to increase this year.

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The March of Dimes mission is to prevent birth defects and infant mortality. Events like Walk America, charity golf tournaments and chef auctions all raise money to research the causes of infant disease and to educate the com-

A campus police Internet Website catches college students in the act

♦ Post-NCAA rioting at Michigan State University has prompted campus police to solicit riot onlookers to identify criminals they caught on camera via

MIKE MILLS

One photo shows a masked mar ramming a metal pole into the trunk of a demolished police car. In another shirtless revelers jump over a bonfire of wooden furniture and sofa cush-

The hottest Web site in East Lansing

office. This week is one that local law enforcement authorities put up after a devastating night of college-town riot-ing on March 27, after Michigan State University lost to Duke University in the Final Four college basketball play-offs

offs.

The two dozen pictures on the site are a virtual rogues' gallery of hooligans who took part in the melce. From the comfort of their dorms, apartments and group houses, students can view the photos and, police hope, rat out the culprits. The site has been a key law enforcement tool for police, who so far have arrested more than two dozen people.

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"There's a tremendous outpouring of response from students here," said city

might be someone we saw ripping a public telephone off the wall of a building."

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The Michigan State incident is the latest example of how law enforce-ment authorities have begun to view the Internet as their cyber-post office, a place to seek the public's help in locating their most wanted criminals. The FBI's most-wanted list now sports full-motion video clips of crooks on the lam. Fox Television's "America's Most Wanted" has a new Web site that includes robbery footage from convenience stores' security cameras.

Police must take care not to post any photos that might inadvertently suggest an innocent bystander committed wrongdoing. And there are concerns that the practice advances police work at the expense of civil rights.

An East Lansing judge on Monday granted a police request to scize unpublished photos taken by a Lansing State Journal staff photographer and put them on the site. That photographer got a gash on his head that took nine stitches to close when he was hit by a beer bottle thrown by a rioter who feared police might use the pictures to identify him.

It helped authorities that the East Lansing riot was widely chronicled, with news photographers, city offi-

cials, police and onlookers shooting photos and videos during the night. Police estimate 7,000 people were on the streets, inflicting tens of thousands of dollars of damage, including burning and smashing two police cars and looting and vandalizing businesses along Grand River Avenue. "After the embarrassing riot of Saturday, March 27, we need your help," says the home page on the "Final Four Investigative Task Force" stee "Australian Sing, mi.us/Riot/Index.htm). Sponsors of the site include the City of East Lansing and its police force, state police and law enforcement agencies from neighboring towns. The DeWitt Township Police Department is partic-

ularly interested in nabbing the cul-prits who destroyed, danced on and then torched one of its five cruisers. Another click brings visitors to the "Hall of Shame," with dramatic pho-tos of acts of violence. Below each suspect's photo is a description of the crime: "Wanted for inciting a not," says one. "Wanted for arosan and mali-cious destruction of property," says another. Once suspects are caught, their photos disappear from the site. The site has received 31,500 visits since it went up April 1, giving police so many leads they can't track them all down. At 1 a.m. Wednesday, hours after the site first appeared, two of the

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Windows

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Dell workstations, which all run the Windows NT system, currently make up approximately 21 percent of the workstations in the engineering department, 125 out of an estimated 600 computers. Miller said, adding that there are a number of advantages to the new machines. The Dell stations have shown up in the Tucker computer lab, as well.

The Dell computers, Miller pointed out, will run a much broader array of software than the Unity machines, which operate on the Unix platform. As well, Miller said, the new computers are in all likelihood more computers and they run Windows, which, Miller said, is the dominant platform in the

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Stauffer, who said he receives approximately three to five calls for assistance an hour, commented that the new machines "are much casier to work with than the Unity machines," once people get used to them. Depending on the program, "every-thing you save on a Unity machine will be there on an NT machine," he

munity. The organization has adopted several specific goals: to reduce birth defects by 10 percent, to increase prenatal care for women in their first trimester and to reduce incidences of low birth weight. ties. The campaign raised over \$300,000 last fall and its success has made asking for additional support this semester difficult. It is troublesome for the athletic department to push for Walk America because the department sponsors the combined campaign, said Mark Bockelman, an assistant to Robinson. Most fundraisers are included in NCSU's annual "Combined Campaign," when employees are given a list of several hundred

Robinson.
Registration for Walk America
will begin at 9 a.m. and the walk at
10 a.m. on Saturday, April 24 at
Millbrook High School, A cookout
lunch will be served afterwards.

charitable organizations and then choose to whom they wish to donate money. Students might have seen the combined campaign ther-mometers posted around campus last semester, indicating how much money had been raised for chari-ties.



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world of Industrial Engineering.
""At some point, we will probably bit a balance [between Unity and NT]. Willer said of the new system being added. Interestingly, the university has not stopped adding Sun's Unix machines either, as they do maintain a few advantages over the new NT computers. said.

Miller, in fact, pointed out that the university is "taking actions" to make the entire system seamless between Unix and NT, due in part to programs designed by the Ctirix company that allow documents to be used on either

puters.
According to Zachary Stauffer, a freshman majoring in computer science, which serves as a lab attendant in the Laundry building, the new NT machines, which use the same login setup as Unity, have been popular with lab users.

allow documents to be used on either system. "We want to make it so that any stu-dent can sit down at any computer and do their work," Miller said. According to Charles Hunt, the uni-versity's computer network manager, the old workstations that NT is replac-ing, have a variety of destinations. Some are sold to other departments, to Son, to students and faculty or to the state surplus at what Miller said was a cost of \$600, the price that Sun offers for trade-in of old machines. The resenue, Miller said, goes to aid student fees in the purchase of the new Dell computers and new Unix machines from Sun, which run around \$3,000 a piece.

Internet

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Such cooperation between police and students is a far cry from 25 years ago, when MSU campus police and area law enforcement officials ran a covert team called the "Red Squad" that photographed Vietnam war protesters and kept lists of suspected communist sympathizers.

But this was no Vietnam-era protest: Most MSU students view the disturbance — and two similar riots in recent months - as beer-soaked hootiganism that gives the university a black eye.

"People who go to school here feel like their diplomus have been devalued. They're angry and want police to catch the people who did it." Said Sharon Terlep, editor-in-chief of the MSU student newspaper, the State News.

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Terlep said she was unaware of any students voicing privacy concerns, though some are taking issue with the police confissating pictures of the rior from a photo developer without the permission of the film's owners. Police officials said they are careful not to display photographs showing the faces of people who were not wanted for wrongdoing. "Obviously, there is a very serious libel problem, which I'm sure the police have thought about," said Mark Grebner, who represents MSU on the Ingham County Commission.



Hip-hop's new style

Hip-hop won a new convert March 30 at Hillshorough Street's The Brewery. Chapel Hill's hip-hop band Sankofa, teamed up with newcomer Omotade, the lowerhirds line-up, and Suthern Comfert to blow the house up. As a faithful '80s and Dave Matthews groupie, I found myself questioning my narrow allegiance. In forming my musical tastes I had somehow allowed hiphop to fall through the grate. But after that concert I saw the error of my ways.

I was already somewhat familiar with Sankofa, but N.C. State senior Omotade Adeniyi was the new kid on the block who kept the concert live. When he got on the stage he took control with rhymes flowing like honey.

like honey.

Omotade is talented, but doesn't brandish his talent like so many others. He's humble and treats everyone like friends. Omotade is a senior double majoring in political science and communications. He has somehow managed to keep a relatively low profile despite his appearances at the Local 506. Lyricist Lounge, Cat's Cradle in Chapel Hill and Expressions in Raleigh. But after this performance at The Brewery, it's evident that Omotade is busting onto the hip-hop scene with every intention of staying.

staying.
It's difficult to verbalize what watching and listening to Omotade is like because his performance is unique, and so is the experience he gives the audience. Junior Spencer Brantley, a fan and friend of Omotade said.
'Omotade's the type of emece, that after you hear [him], if you're a writer, he'll make you get out your pencil and eraser... and go back to the crib to start writing.'

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I was fortunate enough to get an interview that gave me a closer look into Omotade and his music. Lounging comfortably on his blue suede couch, Omotade was anything but arrogant as I asked him about his music. In his jeans and black long sleeve NC State T-shirt, Omotade made no effort to appear as anything other than a student who enjoys writing and performing

musically. I enjoyed how he and his friends' enthusiasm is as contagious in person as it is on the stage.

Technican: How did you get started?

Omotade: My uncle used to bring me old Planet Rock records and singles. I used to sit there and go back and forth on those for a long long time because we didn't have turntables then, but as soon as I got a record player I got into the whole Planet Rock thing. I was about 10 or II.

Tech: What did your parents think about your musical aspirations?

Omotade: They always knew I liked to talk and they knew I liked music, so they supported me, but they really pushed the education issue. [They felf I should I try it Imusic] as much as I can and let it be an outlet as long as it didn't affect my educational opportunities.

Tech: What are you educational goals?

Omotade: My first choice is to go to law school. That's my number one aspiration. And I think I could do the hip-hop career by night (while still living it).

Tech: How would you describe your musical style?

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Omotade (somewhat squirming as if he was hesitant to answer the question): Because of my nature, I'd like to let someone else [answer that].

Dej(member of the lowerthirds line-up): Omotade is a perfectionist, that's exactly what he does, anything he does he puts 100 percent into. Anything he's ever written he's put all his heart into. Omotade has an Omotade style that's the only way you can classify it because it hasn't been done before, it's his style and after this people will compare their stuff to his.

Spence: When I think of Omotade, he reminds me of Q-Tip [from A Tribe Called Quest] in the way that Q-Tip totally changed the face of hip-hop because he came out with a new style that no one had ever heard before and no one's heard since. You can't compare anyone else to Q-Tip, he makes it look easy. .like a joke. When I think of Omotade certain connotations come up; I think of Alkoholiks, Pharcyde, A Tribe Called Quest, but at the same time

you can't pigeonhole [Omotade's] style.
Omotade: I think I have an element of charisma to my music. I've watched so many bands and people perform and [their] music... Jacks a charismatic element and that needs to be put back. People need to feel like it's important they came to the show. During the show [I'll] say so many peoples' names so don't get surprised if you get looked at and I'm looking at you. I'm not looking at the guy behind you or in front of you. I'm looking at you... Spence: When I think about your Jyries I think [ii's] more lof the] cerebral, intellectual type (hey have) depth and text.
Omotade: I try as much as possible to drop those type of jewels.—I'm trying a different channel, a lot of people that do that like Wu Tang are more hard core. I try it on a lighter side. I try to bring an entertainment factor in there so people can learn something or chant something that I said and they'll be like "You know what? That actually makes sense. I was chanting it because it was good to listen to, but it makes sense. Tech: What message are you trying to convey with your music?
Omotade: The one thing you can learn is that hip-hop is a culture [A culture] you can learn from it.
Tech: Who have been some of your major influences? Omotade: It depends. I have so many facets to what I do, I take the best from everybody; even some of the emcees that people think are wask, I try to find something in them to idolize... I like De La Soul and A Tribe Called Quest for their appeal and universality; Common Sense and Raskass for their delivery and content; Lenny Kravitz, Jimi Hendrix and Prince for their musical creativity and ability: Michael Jackson for his performances; and Notorious B.I.G. for his aura and confidence.
Tech: If you could pair up with one musical great, dead or alive, for a one time only performance; who would it be and why?
Omotade: It would be someone who messes around with a music genre that I'm not



used to doing. I want to say Jimi [Hendrix]. I can see myself on stage with a bandanna around my head with Jimi. I could have the energy to reciprocate Jimi.

Tech: Where do you go from here? What do you see in your future?

Omotade: Despite my law career, I do know I will still be trying to influence the local hip-hop scene somewhere. I see myself playing instruments and producing

in addition to performing. Hopefully, I'll get recognition — if I don't it's no real problem as long as I get respect any respective place. I'm currently working on a five to six song CD to be released early to midsummer.

Omotade is also on two of Sankofa's CD's: Invisible Man on Hip-Hop from the Briar-Patch and an untitled song on an untitled CD coming soon.

Community service fulfilling

♦ Taking time out of that busy schedule to help others.

Look around. What do you see? You see people hurrying to get to their classes or jobs. When they do have time to relax or get away from their stressful lives, they focus entirely on themselves. But, wouldn't it be nice if more people

"I think performing community service is fulfilling."

Tyesha Reed

could volunteer in their communi could volunteer in their communi-ty or help those who need a role model or friend? Many groups require community service as par-ties and sororities. Other clubs, including honor societies and Student Government, make the commitment to serve others as well.

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But, if you're not in an organiza-tion that participates in communi-ty service or you don't belong to any organizations, why not take the initiate to do some community

"Volunteering helps you better society and contribute something to society."

Mike Evans

Service yourself? There is a volun-teer service on campus in the Talley Student Center to help get you started. Or, you can look in the newspaper for a list of volunteer opportunities in the community. Or, you can do a simple search on the web for volunteer organiza-tions and find phone numbers of these erouss locally.

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Tyesha Reed, a senior in political science, stated, "I think perform-

ing community service is fulfilling."

Mike Evans, a senior in agriculture and pest control, added, "Volunteering helps you bettien society and contribute something to society."

Besides fulfillment, the students interviewed felt that they had learned a lot from their experiences. "Volunteering made me realize that sometimes I take the small things in life for granted. I've also learned that if more people got involved, the world would be a better place because more people would genuinely care for one another," said Tina Gillespie, a sophomore in sociology. "Volunteering at Dorthea Dix Hospital opened my eyes. I couldn't believe some of the things that I saw and heard," said Tamika Hooker, a junior in psychology. Hooker, who volunteered at Dorthea Dix Hospital from April 1998 to December 1998, worked with adolescents with behavioral 1998 to December 1998, worked with adolescents with the problems. While there, she was a mentor and friend that helped with homework and spent quality time with patients. She made the effort to go three or four times a week to volunteer and saw adolescents "yearning for attention who had a lot of home problems." The experience has led her to want to continue to work with adolescents, only now she is interested in working with individuals who have Downs syndrome.

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Other N.C. State students have also been busy. Evans helps out with his church youth group and is active in the Civil Air Patrol. In the Civil Air Patrol, he helps to teach leadership skills and aerospace education to cadets ages 13 to 18. He plans to continue to stay involved with both activities.

If you're like Tyesha Reed or Tina Gillespie, then you enjoy doing a variety of community services. Reed's activities from the past have included volunteering at the retirement home, ringing bells during Christmas for the Salvation Army and working at a soup during Christmas for the Salvation Army and working at a soup kitchen. She has also been active in Habitat for Humanity. "I like working with the kids because you can be a role model. I like helping the elderly because they need

somebody to listen to them and talk to them," said Reed.
Gillespie herself has volunteered a lot. Her activities include helping with the Special Olympics, going to retirement homes and volunteering at a teen crisis center.
Other reasons to volunteer include meeting new people or strengthening the friendships of those you volunteer with. Sean Campbell, a sentire in industrial design, state, "It was a bonding session for the brothers of my fra-

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Tamika Hooker

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Jason Gore, a sophomore in business, replied, "I think volunteering with my younger brother's youth group has caused my brother and I to be closer. I go with the youth group to the bowling alley, to the movies and help them with bible study. The close interaction has let my brother know that he can talk to me or come to me if he has any problems or concerns."

Volunteering helps everyone and is beneficial. You can meet others, help out individuals in need, gain

"I would recommend that everyone try to volunteer."

Tyesha Reed

experience and be a role model in only a few short hours of your time. "I see there's a big need for people to volunteer. It does make a difference and it helps you be a better person," said Evan.

Reed added, "I would recommend that everyone try to volunteer. Once a month or even twice a year can make a world of difference."





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Technician's View

More phone changes

♦ NCSU Telecommunications is ask ing students to choose their service options for the 1999-00 school year.

C. State's Department of Telecommunications has proposed changes to its services yet again. Only this time, they are planning to take away options—or at least lump them all together—in order to serve students better.

Telecommunications plans to offer students one of two proposed packages; they will base their decision on surveys given to the student body. Students will be asked to decide between the two on the survey.

The first option would include local telephone service, votecmail and call waiting for \$117. This package is the same one currently offered to students living on campus, albeit at a higher cost. The second package would include call return, more commonly known as *90, in addition to the features in the first option, for a cost of \$125.00. Not only would this second proposed option make call return mandatory, its institution would be done at extra cost to students.

Members of the Telecommunica Members of the Telecommunica-tions staff say they will base their decision on the majority opinion of the students. However, with only two options made available to them in the survey, students living on campus are hardly given much of a selection from which to choose. In addition, Telecommunications will be doing away with the call forwarding and three-way calling features. Although cost-analyses have indicated that not many students use these services, and their removal is simply a way of stream lining the system, it is yet another example of how students' choices are slowly being taken away from them.

them.

A phone service that once offered several services and options to students, with accordingly priced packages, is now dwindling. Compare this to a food buffer that once offered a wide variety of menu selections, but patrons must now choose either the chicken or the bed— or at least which one will appear on the menu. It is understandable that

It is understandable that Telecommunications wants to make their phone services as efficient as possible. And eliminating unpopular—or costly—extras may be one way of doing so. However, in their attempt to pare down the options. Telecommunications may very well be frustrating the very people they claim to want to better serve. And what with the smorgas-bord of calling plans and options being made available to people nationwide—from the notorious It is understandable that being made available to people nationwide — from the notorious Wolfpack Telecom to pre-paid phone cards — NCSU Telecomm-unications stands to ultimately lose their main source of business.

Technician mocks women

I was shocked to open Monday March 29 Technician and find a hoto strip on students' attitudes toward voting. For those of you who missed it, the strip showed three students and their answers to being questioned on whom they were voting for in student elections. The first photo showed a harried-looking young man holding an armful of books. His caption read "Are you kidding? I'm WAY too busy to vote..." The second photo showed another young man staring off into the distance saying "I don't even know who's running...let alone decide who to vote for." The third picture showed a white female who looked to be freshman age outside, bolding a brush to her hair saying, "What's an election? Like, are you guys handing out free T-shrits".

Do you realize what this picture is portraying? It is saying that females are too stupid to do their hair indoors, let alone know what an election is. You can't pass second grade without knowing when the students are too stupid to do their hair indoors, let alone know what an election is, let alone know what an election is, let alone get into college.

This image is deeply disturbing

ond grade without knowing what an election is, let alone get into college.

This image is deeply disturbing and outrages me. As a woman who fought hard in high school to make good grades to come to college and who worked her but off in college, I am offended by this picture. When you think about it, it is saying women are too stupid to know what an election is.

And this is 1999, in a supposedly liberal newspaper. How can Technician publish this? Especially in light of the fact that the next page of the issue features a write-up on women's history. What were you thinking? If this kind of picture is supposed to be funny in 1999, what does that say about where we stand? This is not acceptable. Where were the women on Technician when this was being laid out? Were they too scared to say "Hey that's offensive?" Or were they so desensitued to this sort of sexism that they didn't even recognize it as offensive? And where was the edi-

Until then, kids, just call the folks

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tor? Were his eyes closed when this was shown to him? And how could that girl pose for such a pic-ture? This is 1999 people. And this is not funny.

Know the candidates first

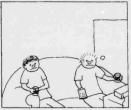
This letter is in response to the March 29 issue of Technician. in which you made endorsements for the office of student body president. Though I take no issue with your reasoning concerning one of the candidates.

You stated that, "Mirchandani authored a Senate bill that would have placed a stamp of approval on a proposed 4.9 percent tuition increase. Not a good move. In circumstances like those, the student body needs someone who will fight, not compromise."

It seems clear to me that this compliance of the candidates of the composition of the process that resulted from the UNC Board of Governor's Task Force on Tuttion Policy. The most significant change that came out of the report from the Task Force was that the Board of Governore would begin to make recommendations concerning tuition.

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Previously, that decision was left completely up to the North Carolina General Assembly. The unfortunate result has been average 7.9 percent tuition increase over the last 10 years. These increases have been erratic and sometimes late, resulting in retroactive increases. The Board decided they wanted to begin to make tuition recommendations that were moderate and early, giving students families a chance to plan. The Board also wanted these recommendations to be firmly based on what the university needs

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Ignore the hype

The year 2000, a.k.a. Y2K, is fast approaching, and with it thousands of freaks. Armageddonites and businessman are coming out to scare or, better yet, sell you constitute.

something.

Night after night on the local and national evening news, people wait patiently by the family television set as updates on the milennium bug are announced. Rumor has it that when the clock strikes 12:00 midnight on December 31, 1999, all the computers in the world will mistake the year 2000 for 1900. Even worse, airplanes will crash, medical equipment will malfunction and everyone will lose the money in their bank accounts. Law firms and insurance companies report that the bug will cause a trillion dollars in lawsuits in the United States alone. The government is estimated to be spending \$25 billion dollars of taxpayer money fixing its own computers.

The whole Y2K bug is dramatically overplayed. Why not overplay it? Computer consultants and companies are basking as millions of dollars roll across their fingertips as everyone asks them to fix the problem. It also provides great publicity for non-computer companies and politicians. Annual reports to stockholders have entire sections on Y2K computer network and technicians are far superior to the competition. Politicians have created task forces, special committees, joint operations, you name it, just to get on the news.

IL doesn't seem right that such a small little change will bring **MLB Seeas** Night after night on the local and

about mass destruction. Computers have changed the way we live. Not only do humans live longer, but we can also fly into outer space and talk to people all around the world, all with the assistance of computers.

assistance of computers.

But all this progress may go down the drain, because it can't recognize the year 2000. Shows you how smart computers really are. I learned how to count and recognize the date in pre-school. Not until elementary school did we learn how to use a computer, and that was only to play Oregon Trail and Number Munchers — not designing the Air Force's new super bomber. Why, in C++, a basic computer science course, we were taught how to program with four digit dates.

It is not bad enough that our entire infrastructure will collapse, but the end of the world is coming, too. Furthermore, it is jammed down our throats everday, why is the world going to end on that day? And at what time will the earth meet its doom?

N.C. State enters the year 2000 before our frends out West in California and Colorado. Will it end after everyone is in 2000 or just the East Coast? That does seem fair to those who live out there; why can't they enjoy New Years Eve and the new millennium just like you and me?

Not only are they preaching the end of the world, or something close to it, but you also can buy books, audio tapes, videos and even attend special seminars on how to prepare for the upcoming onslaught of destruction.

It is to be expected, though — someone is out to make a quick buck. In an effort to save students

here at home, I offer these simple tips to avoiding total annihilation. By the way: it's at no extra

before January. You don't want to be embarrassed in the supermarket checkout line.

checkout line.

2. Go to the bank before Y2K, ask them how much money you have and get documentation. If you are still alive afterward, go back to the bank and politely ask how much you now have. If it is different amount, tell them so they can fix if.

can fix it.

3. Pay your water, cable and electric bills. You don't want to mistake the companies turning off your services as a sign that the Earth's water supply has gone dry from the massive heat produced by the hell on Earth effect. If you don't have cable, you will have to watch the network channels, which undoubtedly will be covering the event that didn't happen.

4. Buy a pair of sunglasses to

4. Buy a pair of sunglasses to protect your eyes from the raging inferno.

5. Buy enough beer to last the weekend; you definitely don't want to be out on the roads with crazed lunatics watching for alien spaceships

spaceships.
Follow these simple tips and you should be fine, unless the world does end, and then we are all screwed anyway.
Andrew hosts "The Leader of the Pack Show" every Tuesday night on WKNC 88.1 FM. Tune in next week as Chancellor Fax predicts State's outcome after the millennium bug sweeps across campus.

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teams trying to qualify for the heavy-revenue playoffs. In return, they'll get young players who, in a 4 or 5 years, will become petulant, overpaid super-stars and will some day be traded by their cash-strapped teams to the big-money franchises working

get paid far more than I can imagine will decry the skyrocketing pay scale and argue that the lack of competitive balance is ruining the game.

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But they'll be wrong.

I think the overpriced hot dogs and lukewarm beer did that a long time ago.

Jimmy is making the break from news into opinion. Tell him what you think of his first column at jpryals@unity.ncsu.edu.

MLB season opened...who knew?

The first week of April is typically the first true taste of spring for the average college student. (Unless one has the money to spend our far-too-early spring break in Panama City or Cancun, and I, for one, don't). The first week of April is also typically the first week of the Major League Baseball season — the crack of the bat, the allure of overprised hot dogs and lukewarm

JIMMY RYALS

the crack of the bat, the allure of overpriced hot dogs and lukewarm beer—these are hallmarks of early spring and harbingers of the coming of summer.

But does anyone care anymore?

Since the outset of the decade, baseball has been locked into a predictable cycle, wherein the richest clubs always win the most games (case in point: the fat cat Atlanta Braves have been to the playoffs every year since 1991), and the poorest clubs always lose the most games (case in point: at least half of the other major

league teams), with the powers that-be making no effort to bal ance the competitive scale. Last season, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, and the New York

Last season, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, and the New York Yankees saved us from the monotony. Well, kind of — the Yankees' payroll last year WAS \$63.461 million, second highest in baseball. Still, the magic these three Major League forces generated made for arguably the most exciting season in MLB history. But how likely are they to do it again? And, if they did, would it be the same? Doubful, Second dates never have quite the same nervous excitement that first dates do, and a second homerun record or another 'best team of all time' wouldn't create quite as much twitter. At least, my palms wouldn't create quite as sweaty. Over the off season, the rich once again got richer: "Team Fox," Rupert Murdoch's Los Angeles Dodgers, signed 34-year-old pitcher Kevin Brown to a \$105 million contract. The Yankees

traded a 35-year-old pitcher in the autumn of his career (David Wells) to the Toronto Blue Jays for a 36-year-old pitcher in the autumn of his career (Roger Clemens). And Boston Red Sox icon Mo Vaughn signed for S80 million with the Disney-owned Anaheim Angels.

So here's how the season should shake out. In the American League, the regular season and the playoffs will be largely ceremonial; the Vankees may actually lose a game or two along the way, but they'll make the World Series.

The National League will be considerably more interesting, with Murdoch's Dodgers and Ted Turner's Braves playing out their owners' spitting contests on the field and in the standings. The two will meet in the League Championship, deciding who gets the opportunity to play the Yankees in the Series.

Along the way, in both leagues,

Along the way, in both leagues, plenty of small-market teams will trade their only good players to

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Archaeologists discover three skeletons of 500-year-old children

the Inca civilization.

KATHY SAWYER

Archaeologists have unearthed the frozen remains of two girls and a boy at the top of a cloud-swept volcano in the Andes, where Incan priests sacrificed them to the gods five centuries ago. The mummies are in such good condition that the organs are intact and, in at least one case, it appears that frozen blood still fills the heart.

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The 500-year-old children "appear to be the best preserved Inca mummies ever found" and are in better condition than most, if not all, mummies from any period, according to Johan Reinhard, co-leader of the American-Argentine-Peruvian team thande the discovery, which was announced Tuesday. "The arms looked perfect, even down to visible hairs," he said. Studies of the preserved body tissues, organs and fluids, using modern DNA techniques and other recent advances, could greatly increase the understanding of a civilization that had no writer language, specialists said. If there is indeed blood still frozen

of a civilization that had no writ-ten language, specialists said. If there is indeed blood still frozen in the organs, scientists mighe learn, for example, whether the children came from the same family, as well as glean valuable insights into what diseases, para-sites and viruses they carried and what foods they are.

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sites and viruses they carried and what foods they ate.

The children were clothed, and the site, found March 16, harbored an unusually rich collection of undisturbed Incan treasures laid out presumably to appease the mountain gods. The trove included about three dozen gold, silver and shell statues, half of them clothed, as well as bundles of ornate textiles, moccasins and pottery — some still containing food. Found in such unusual plenitude, the artifacts could greatly enhance understanding of the enigmatic Inca Empire and particularly its mountain worship, according to independent experts.

The discovery team braved three

days of driving snow and 70 mph winds at the world's highest archaeological site—the 22,000-foot peak of Argentina's Mount Lullailalaco—before they discovered the burial platform, which lay under five feet of rock and earth. The expedition was in a race against time to find the treasures that Reinhard suspected were there before the team ran out of endurance in the brutal conditions, he said. They spent about 12 days at the summit before finally uncovering the mummiles.

"At one point, we had to lower one of our workers into the pit by his ankles so he could pull the mummy out with his hands," Reinhard sid.

Reinhard is a veteran mountain.

Reinhard said.

Reinhard is a veteran mountain explorer who has discovered 16 other Inca mummies, including the celebrated Peruvian "Ice Maiden" Juanita.

Maiden" Juanita.

Juanita — like numerous other mummies, including the 5,300-year-old "Ice Man" discovered in the Italian Alps in 1991 - was "freeze-dried" by nature racher than deliberately mummified by fellow humans. While she was remarkably well preserved, the three children from Lullaillaco are in better shape. Reinhard said in a telephone interview from Salta, in northwest Argentina, where the discovery was announced. The children, he said, froze before they became dehy-froze before they became dehyfroze hefore they became dehy drated, so the organs never shriv eled and desiccation neve occurred.

eled and desiccation never cocurred.

"It's pretty amazing that tissue would stay preserved 500 years, even in a stable environment." said Dayid Hunt of the Smithsonian Institution, a specialist in skeletal biology and human mummies. He said a glacier might provide the required combination of cold and high humidity. In fact, Reinhard said, "The doctrishave been shaking their heads and saying (the mummies) sure don't look 500 years old (but) could have died a few weeks ago." The remains have not yet been tested to determine how long they have been buried, he acknowledged. They are at an linea site, swaddled and surrounded by textiles and artifacts that are ed by textiles and artifacts that are "so Inca, it really is a given."

Researchers have not yet deter-mined the cause of death of the

noted.

Between about 1438 and 1532, the Incas expanded their empire until it occupied a 2,500-mile swath along the Pacific coast of South America, from Colombia to central Chile. Admired for their agriculture, architecture and engineering, the Incas were conquered within three years by the Spanish conquistadors who arrived in 1532.

1532.

Reinhard said weeks or months of ritual preparation and exhausting travel, mostly on foot might have preceded the mountaintop sacrifice. The volcano summit was at least 124 miles from the nearest linea village.

Craie Morris, dean of science at

nearest tinea village.

Craig Morris, dean of science at the American Museum of Natural History in New York, said he has been in touch with Reinhard and, based on his initial descriptions.

"I suspect (the discovery) is absolutely spectacular.... It's extremely important."

extremely important."

Morris noted that textiles were extraordinarily vital clues to the Inca culture, and these should provide "a great record of status, ethnic identity within the empire" and other hints as to where the children came from One girl is wearing a feathered headdress that retains its original white color and a yellow, geometrically designed textile cover laid over her outer mantle.

mantle.

Drawn to icy mountain peaks in part because of their potential for preserving relies, Reinhard visited the site in the 1980s and always planned to return, he said. The team, whose expedition was sponsored by the National Geographic Society, had spent a month exploring a lower peak, getting aclimatized to the oxygen-poor air. After a fruitless week at the summit of Llutlatilaco, Reinhard said, "I was about to give up."

But they kept following the trail

about to give up.

But they kept following the trail
of "fill" dirt that indicated human
activity. Finally, they spotted the
small figure of a llama carved
from a rare type of seashell. That
was their first clue to the burial

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and the people of North Carolina can afford.

can afford.

The 4.9 percent increase equals the increase in North Carolina per capita personal income. I agree that this increase (which amounts to about \$36/semester for NC. State resident students) is certainly not the most destrable thing for students. However, the economic reality of our state says to us that it is highly likely that the General Assembly would have proposed an even higher increase in The absence of this one.

As a result, many students,

absence of this one.

As a result, many students, including myself, have tacitly supported the increase in order to ensure that it not rise above 4.9 percent and see that part of the tunds generated be used for needbased financial aid (which is part of the Board's recommendation). Sometimes "compromising" is the best way to achieve positive results.

Your editorial board apparently.

best way to achieve positive results.

Your editorial board apparently chose to make a judgment on this issue with few of the facts in hand. There is one additional fact that I find especially disconcerting. Technician ran a front-page article on N.C. State Student Senate's action on this issue. However, when the Board of Governors met to make the actual decision concerning tuition recommendations. Technician lacked any coverage of this event. Media from all over the state, including other student media, came to this meeting which happened to be held on NC State's campus. But the home institution's student newspaper was conspicuously absent.

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I simply feel that it is important to have a complete picture before making statements concerning this

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Baseball

into Tuesday night's match-up with Campbell, and are 7-3 against in-state opponents. Also, Seahawk Junior Outfielder Mike Foucht was named the CAA Player of the Week last week, batting .500 and hitting

three home runs.

As was proven last week in Wilmington, the Seahawks are a team that can not, and will not, be overlooked by the Wolfpack, who needs every win it can get to impress the NCAA selection committee come May.

Game time is 7:00 at Doak Field on N.C. State's west campus. Admission is free with a valid All-Campus ID eard.



Pitchers (clockwise from top left) Ryan Combs, Ryan Steadham, Grant Dorn, and Dan D'Amato will see

action against the UNC-Wilmington Seahawks tonight at Doak Field.





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fall in leading Clinton to the state 2-A quarterfinals. He averaged 12.3 yards per carry. On defense, Parker had 30 tackles, including two and one-half quarterback sacks, and intercepted two passes. He was named the county's player of the year.

Quinn earns softball Pitcher of the Week

University of Virginia softball blayer Chrissy Quinn

University of Virginia softball player Chrissy Quinn (Buckingham.

Pa./Central Bucks East) was named the Pitcher of the Week by the Atlantic Coast Conference. She assisted Virginia in gathering its first conference victory in a 4-3 win against North Carolina in Chapel Hill on April 4. Quinn Chapel Hill on April 4. Quinn faced 32 batters through seven innings of work. She scattered seven hits, allowed only one earned run and struck out nine batters en route to claiming her sixth victory of the '99 season as a pitcher.

Just kicking it



Sophomore midfielder Shaker Asad dribbles the ball upfield in a soccer game this fall. Asad was named to the second team All-Atlantic Coast Conference team.

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♦ Senior Nena Bonacic's final home match to be played against the Tar Heels.

K. GREENEY

ust another day at the office That is Wolfpack Head Coach Kay Louthian's approach to this afternoon's match-up against UNC-Chapel Hill in women's ten-

Louthian, a first-year head coach at N.C. State isn't stressing the UNC-CH/N.C. State rivalry, but simply looking at the match for what it is.

what it is.

"I sense it, and it is huge, but I haven't experienced it directly," said Louthian of the rivalry, "Ideally, what I'd like to happen is for us to win, and then treat it like any other win that we've gotten."

For the Pack in 1999, like 1998, those wins have been numerous.

State is coming off of an 8-1 win over East Carolina which improved the Pack's record to 10-6 overall on the season. State is 0-4 in the conference, with each of the four losses in the conference coming to nationally ranked opponents.

The Tar Heels, ranked No. 27 in the country, are coming off of a 5-4 win over the Michigan Wolverines on Monday.

The Heels' No. 6 singles player, Jeni Burnette, injured her ankle in the third set. After losing a 4-2 lead in the set and falling to Wolverine Alison Sinclair.

Burnette was unable to fill her usual spot on the No. 2 doubles team.

Louthian's outlook on the match Louthian's outlook on the match may not be as outrageous as some, die-hard N.C. State or Chapel Hill fans might proclaim it to be, after all, the Pack's last home conference match-up was against Duke. In a 10-day span that ends this weekend, the Pack will take on the three traditionally toughest ACC teams.



Junior Marissa Gildemeister leads the Wolfpack team with an 11-2 record at No. 2 singles.

teams have won the champi-onship: the Blue Devils, the Clemson Tigers, and the Tar Heels.

"We're going to have to be con-sistently aggressive," said Louthian. According to Louthian, all nine of the matches, six singles

and three doubles, should be tough contests, but nothing that the Pack hasn't seen the likes of before.

"We've already seen the best in the conference, if not the best in the country, and played them at home," said Louthian.

The Pack is 3-24 against the Tar Heels all-time, but has won three of the past five contests on the court, including a 6-3 win last season in Raleigh.

The Pack's match is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

The Pack finishes its home schedule against UNC-CH today. Pack v. Hawks: Round two

 The Pack Nine readies for a midweek rematch with UNC-Wilmington.

K. GREENEY AND TIM HUNTER

Rule of Thumb: don't play down to the level of your competition.

Last week, the N.C. State baseball team walked away from Brooks Field with a 72 loss at the hands of the UNC-Wilmington Seahawks, at earn that has never earned a berth in the NCAA tournament and that the Pack had won 41 of 50 contests against prior to Wednesday night.

The Pack responded to the loss, its second non-conference loss in as many days, by taking two out of three games in the Atlantic Coast Conference series against long-time rival UNC-Chapel Hill, ranked as high as No. 8 in the three national collegiate polls.

"We had been struggling a little bit and really needed to win this series," said freshman pitcher Dan D'Amato, who picked up the win in Sunday's game. "We didn't play well in the middle of the week last week."

week."

The margin of victory in each of the three weekend games was less than two runs, with the Pack pulling out wins on Saturday and Sunday after dropping a 13-12 decision on Ericlas mich.

out with a far dropping a 13-12 decision on Friday night.

'This was big.' Pack Head Coach Elliot Avent said Sunday of the Wolfpack's win. 'Two wins this weekend against a quality team like



The Pack lights up Doak Field at 7 p.m. tonight.

At 25-7 and 3-6 in the conference, wins during the middle of the week are that much more important for the Wolfpack, who is looking for its

potent pitching, State scored 25-runs.

Slated to pitch for the Wolfpack are freshmen D'Amato and Ryack Combs and juniors Ryan Steadham and Grant Dorn. According to Assistant Coach Scott Lawler, each of the four should see time, but how much and who will start on the hill had yet to be determined prior to Tuesday's practice.

While the Seahawks may pale in comparison to the Pack's conference competition, UNC-W, under belms-man Mark Scalf, was 20-12 going

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Junior Shaun Thomas



Adrean Acevedo and the Pack nine host a rematch with non-conference foe UNC-Wilmington today at 7 p.m. N.C. State lost to the Seahawks, 7-2, last Wednesday in Wilmington. The Wolfpack is 41-10 overall against UNC-W. State travels to Minami this weekend for a three-game series against UM.

N.C. State baseball statistics as of April 5, 1999.

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Rodney Ormond	2.53	4-1	9	8	0	Brian Wright
Dan D'Amato	3.20	6-1	14	4	2	Curtis Sapp
Ryan Combs	5.28	1-0	12	1	1	Josh Schmitt
Dustin Baker	5.75	3-3	10	6	0	Todd DeMakes
Ryan Steadham	6.07	2-3	9	6	0	Craig Lee
Grant Dorn	6.94	1-1	9	6	0	Dan Mooney

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Pack to face Blue Devils in Durham



and the Wolfpack men's tennis team, under the direction of Coach Eric Hayes, take on the top-10 ranked **Duke Blue Devils today** at 2 p.m. State will play ACC foes Wake Forest and Virginia at

home this weekend.

An update on the happenings and events around the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Duke women named team of the year

Centerville. Mass. — Duke University has been selected as the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division I Women's Basketball Team of the Year after earning its first trip to the NCAA Final Four and championship game by defeating Tennessee, 69-63 in the East regional finals of the NCAA Tournament. Under head coach Gail Goestenkors, who has taken her team to the NCAA Tournament more times (five) than any other coach in Duke history, the Blue Devils captured the program's highest captured the ACC regular season title for the second consecutive year. Duke finished the 1999 campaign with a school-record 29 wins and seven losses.

Tech athelete joins pro circuit

Andy Baxter

Adrean Acevedo

ATLANTA — Georgia Tech junior track and field national champion Angelo Taylor, the 1998 United States Track & Field Male Athlete of the Year, has decided to forego the remainder of his collegiate eligibility and will turn professional beginning this weekend in the Sun Angel Meet in Arizona.

Taylor, from Decatur, Ga., recently captured the U. S. Indoors national title in the 400-meter dash. Last June, he captured the NCAA national championship in the 400-meter Intermediate Hurdles and ran the second fastest time in the world in that event last year, a 47.90 clocking.

Maryland Cheerleaders win NCA Title

COLLEGE PARK, Md. COLLEGE PARK, Md.— The University of Maryland all-girls cheerleading squad claimed the National Cheerleading Association collegiate national champi-onship at a competition in Daytona Beach, Fla., April 3

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It marked the first time that Maryland has ever won a national championship in cheerleading in nine years of competition. The previous top finish for the squad was seventh place in 1993. Maryland placed first in the all-girls Division I category with a score of 7.92 out of a possible 10 points. The Terps finished ahead of Louisville, UNC-Charlotte, Oklahoma and Florida State. It marked the first time that

Tailback commits to UNC-Chapel Hill

CHAPEL HILL — Willie Parker, a 5-11, 190-pound tailback/cornerback from Clinton, N.C., has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend the University of North

attend the University of North Carolina.

Parker inked the scholarship offer on April 1, the final day high school seniors were allowed to sign to play foot-ball at a Division I institution. Parker rushed for 1,801 yards and 18 touchdowns last

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