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Public Safety chief takes the stand

◆ Public Safety's director and Raleigh police testified Wednesday as the state made its case.

ALLISON BALLARD
Senior Staff Writer

Resting its case after hearing from Public Safety's top official, the state wrapped up a second day of testimony against former Public Safety Lt. Pierre Debnam Wednesday.

Debnam is charged with sexually assaulting a former NCSU student.

Testimony began with Ralph Harper, director of NCSU Public Safety. He read the written complaint submitted by a student on Aug. 3, 1997, the day after Debnam allegedly sexually assaulted her.

"She was shaken," Harper said of the student's demeanor when he spoke with her that day.

Harper described the student's account of being followed, pulled over and made to disrobe and per-

form a full cavity search on herself.

Harper also described the proper procedure a Public Safety officer should follow when pulling someone over.

The officer should call it in with a description of the suspect and vehicle, Harper said. Apparently, there was no call from Debnam when he stopped the student.

Testimony continued with Detective W.O. Smith of the Raleigh Police Department, who was in charge of the sexual assault investigation.

In a transcript of the suspect's interview with police, Debnam described how he followed the student because the truck resembled one he had seen earlier that night. From the outset, Debnam's account differed from the student's. The student claimed that she saw the officer as she got into her parked vehicle and then the officer followed her out of the Dan Allen Parking Deck. Debnam claimed that he saw the truck only after it was already moving and heading out of the deck.

Debnam denied that he had asked the student to take off her clothes and denied looking for weapons and drugs on her body. Debnam admitted only to putting himself in a bad situation and not handling it in the proper way.

As the questioning continued, detectives pointed out inconsistencies in Debnam's version of the incident.

"Keep in mind that you have changed your story. This is the third time you have either added something or taken something away," the

detective said to Debnam.

Later in the day, the defense filed for dismissal of the case on the grounds that the name of the victim was not fully disclosed.

The judge ruled against the defense, saying her name "has been known for over a year."

At the close of session Wednesday, the State rested its case. The defense began arguing its case at 9:30 this morning.

Staff Writer Cara Froedge contributed to this story.

Campaign passes \$81 million

◆ Many colleges have passed their goals in funds raised by the campaign for NCSU students.

NEIL HERBERT
Senior Staff Writer

The N.C. State Campaign for students, a fundraising project that rocketed to within 10 percent of its \$80 million goal in its first year, now has passed \$81 million with 15 months to go.

Six of the 14 participating colleges and scholarship programs have met or exceeded 100 percent of their goals, and none are below 75 percent. The College of Forest Resources and the Student Aid Association have both surpassed 160 percent of their respective goals.

The campaign is an effort to get the university's scholarship endowments up to a level that will enable it to consistently compete for top students with its peer schools across the nation. In the past, out-of-state and private institutions have consistently outbid NCSU in scholarship packages for North Carolina's best students by margins as high as six to one.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Development Terry Wood attributes the campaign's success to the strong network of volunteers, deans, chancellors and faculty who work in conjunction with development to find potential donors. Campaign volunteers have been crucial to the effort by seeking out friends and associates for "peer-to-peer solicitation." Wood said this works better than the traditional approach of paid staff contacting potential donors and making a fund-raising pitch.

"This is a business model for future projects," he said.

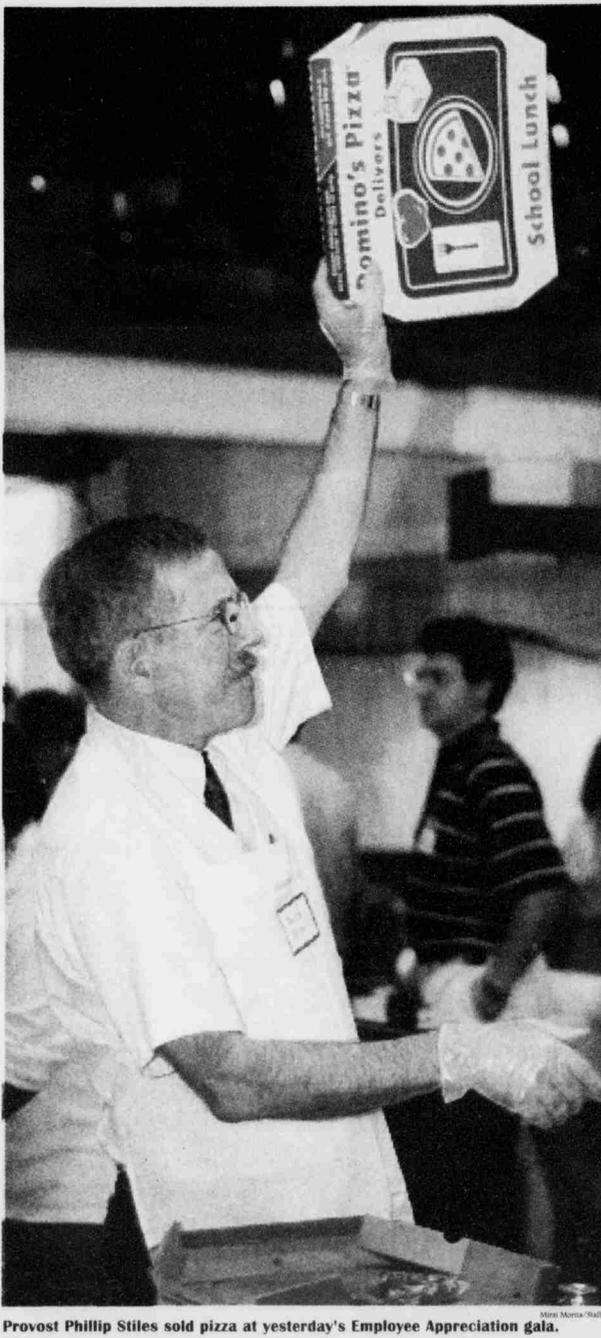
The creation of this network was one of the campaign's "non-monetary goals" from the very beginning. Work began on it during the "quiet phase" that preceded the campaign's official launch in April 1997.

Unlike past fundraising drives, such as NCSU's Second Century Campaign, all of the money raised during the Campaign for State Students funds scholarships and fellowships throughout the university. Most of the scholarships are merit-based, though some feature a need component.

New endowments — large gifts to the university which are invested and thus provide scholarship money through interest earned on the investments — are allowing the university to make permanent many scholarships that have, in the past, relied on annual fundraising drives. Thus, many of the college and scholarship programs are not creating new scholarships, but securing existing ones.

The Caldwell Scholarship Program is an example of this. Created in 1977 in honor of the late Chancellor Caldwell, the program aimed at generating 100 endowed scholarships, which today depend on a minimum gift of \$100,000. Before the campaign began, only

Pizza-hawking provost



Provost Phillip Stiles sold pizza at yesterday's Employee Appreciation gala.

Pepsi wins bid to service NCSU

◆ By fall break, Pepsi products will dominate the NCSU campus.

MARK MCCRAW
Staff Writer

N.C. State students will soon be humming along to the anthems of the Pepsi generation.

According to Randy Lait, business officer for University Dining, Pepsi just won the beverage contract to supply NCSU with soft drinks for the next five years.

This means that Coke products will no longer be available on campus.

"We're going to be switching all the food service locations, convenience stores and vending machines on campus exclusively to Pepsi by fall break," said Lait.

According to the Feb. 12, 1998, issue of Beverage Digest, Coke sold 4,208.6 million cases in 1997 while Pepsi only sold 2,965.7 million cases, which means Coke had over 10 percent more of the market share.

One might suspect that given these totals, the average NCSU students would prefer Coke to Pepsi, but University Dining isn't worried.

"I've found that most people's



NCSU will soon find itself deluged with Pepsi not Coke.

reaction is measured into 3 categories," Lait said. "Either the students are thrilled that they can have a Mountain Dew, or they're upset because they can't get a Coke, or they're completely indifferent ... so it averages out."

"We don't want to make anyone unhappy," Lait said.

According to Lait, most schools have an exclusive beverage contract because it means better pricing and better service for the students. For example, as part of the most recent contract, Pepsi has agreed to pay for card readers on vending machines, which would allow students to use their student ID cards to purchase beverages with cash points.

Even though these readers will

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Slaughterhouse awaits City Council approval

◆ Plans for an NCSU slaughterhouse is stirring up controversy in Raleigh.

ALLISON BALLARD
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State's proposed meat-processing lab is on hold as Raleigh City Council contemplates its approval.

Last year, the plan to build the \$5.5 million facility on the School of Veterinary Medicine campus was sidelined by numerous objections from neighbors and activists.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the public has made a difference in this case," said Ken Eshenshade, department head of animal science.

Opponents of the meat-processing lab claim that it will cause traffic and odor problems in the West Raleigh neighborhood. Others assert that the slaughterhouse is morally wrong and will taint the respect and image of the vet school.

"[The public] has raised legitimate concerns," Eshenshade said. "It was the right thing for them to do and the officials are doing the proper thing. But it is fair to say that the questions have slowed the process."

"We are trying to work with citizens and are continuing to have a dialogue to let them know it will

have a minor impact," Eshenshade said.

The concerns caused the council to turn the matter over to the Comprehensive Review Committee. NCSU officials were asked to look for other feasible locations for the lab.

"We began to look at other property owned by NSCU to complete our mission [to open the lab]," Eshenshade said.

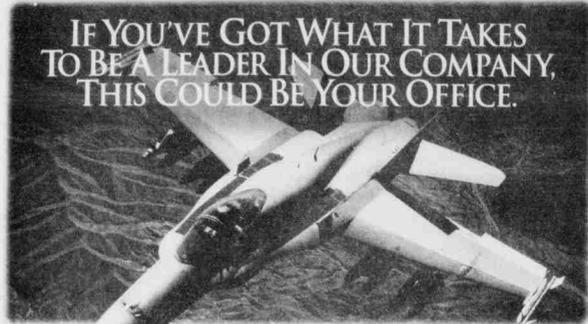
Early this week, the Comprehensive Review Committee toured a similar facility in Florida. The meat-processing lab is designed to teach students and workers about safe meat-handling procedures and new processing techniques. The 30,000 square-foot facility would have the capacity to kill 14,000 animals per month. However, the lab would probably only operate at 15 percent to 20 percent of full capacity, according to Eshenshade.

"It isn't a commercial operation," he said. "We would use the lab only for teaching purposes."

In the past year, the controversy has been "up and down," according to Eshenshade.

"We have already received an odor complaint, and the facility has not been built yet," he said.

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Pepsi

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cost an estimated \$1,000 per machine, students will see no markup in drink prices.

"The pricing won't change," said Lait. "Pepsi and Coke bid exactly the same on all the bottles and cans, and Pepsi bid slightly lower on syrup, although the difference works out to something like one cent less per cup."

Pepsi is willing to absorb these costs because controlling the college market is very important to soft drink vendors.

"Soft drink companies believe that college-age people are deciding which beverage they will be drinking for the rest of their lives," Lait said.

In addition to card readers, students can probably expect more promotional advertising to be thrown their way.

"Pepsi is normally very active with promotions," Lait said.

In the past when Pepsi controlled the NCSU beverage contract, promotional events included a large Velcro wall, which students could jump on and stick to in the brickyard, and karaoke events.

Funds

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one-third of the scholarships were endowed, with the rest dependent on annual funding.

The Caldwell program has just surpassed its campaign goal of \$10.3 million, which will eventually enable it to endow all of its scholarships. Because almost half of that money has been given as deferred gifts — trusts, bequests and other gifts that will come into the university in the future — not all of the Caldwell scholarships are currently endowed. This fall, according to Jim Bass of the Alumni Association, several of the 65 endowed Caldwell scholarships were newly created from campaign funds.

The same holds true for athletic scholarships, said Chris Wyrick of the Student Aid Association, also known as the Wolfpack Club.

"No new scholarships have been created," he said. "We are building a fund to lessen the burden on the annual fund."

The Student Aid Association will have more flexibility with the money they raise annually, which will be channeled into an array of projects including the improvement of athletic facilities.

"The Campaign has shown N.C. State University as a whole that there are tremendous amount of alumni who want to see that this campus is successful," Wyrick said.

Meat

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NCSU received appropriation for the lab in 1995. University officials weren't expecting the level of public outcry that arose when the measure for building approval was put before the Raleigh City Council last summer.

A flyer titled "A Slaughterhouse in Your Neighborhood?" was circulated anonymously to homes around the campus and claimed that the lab would lower property values and cause water quality problems.

In addition, Ellen Bring of Durham organized a group of citizens and brought moral concerns to the council, claiming that it is wrong and inhumane to kill animals for meat.

Another opponent, Tom Regan, department head of philosophy and religion, agrees with Bring but also has separate concerns.

"For the vet school, this would be a tragic mistake for what it represents," he said.

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Quote of the day:
 "I must hang up now,
 Clarice. I'm having an old
 friend for dinner."
 - Silence of the Lambs

Move it, funny man

◆ NCSU Center Stage presents Michael Carson's exploration of movement tonight at 8 p.m.

LINDSEY GREENE
 Senior Staff Writer

"Integrity Brings With It An Empty Plate" is not your typical evening at a dance performance. Written and performed by Michael A. Carson, the work reveals itself immediately to the audience by Carson's satirical sense of humor.

Carson will present a series of movement essays at Thompson Theater tonight, Sept. 24, at 8 p.m. He will present three one-man acts, none exceeding three minutes, but each filled with sarcastic comments. Carson began performing in 1988 by drawing from his personal experiences and injecting his movement with cleverness.

Moving with simple clarity, the audience hears a voiceover that sometimes narrates the movement. In one essay, the voiceover claims Carson's movement doesn't have any symbolism, nor does it contain a deeper level of understanding or connection to the music.

As Carson moves on stage, we hear his thoughts from the voiceover: "There's no subtext here. I'm just moving." Later the audience hears, "This dance means nothing" and "I'm just moving for no reason at all." His movement essays retain a performance quality while changing how we traditionally think of and see dance.

In another essay, Carson is crawling around on the floor, his body contorted, as we hear a couple arguing through the voiceovers. A man explains that Carson is expressing the pain of us all, while the woman says, "I just think he's hurt."

Carson continues to explore relationships in a piece in which he is listening to a friend on a phone conversation. The voiceover, which is the telephone call, is talking about the absurd relationship he's involved in — he met a girl through the Internet. Carson puts the phone down and walks away just in time to pick it up again to end the conversation.

An excursion from the ordinary, Carson is sure to have the audience chuckling.



Carson presents three one-man performances in his "Integrity Brings With It An Empty Plate."



◆ Some more music listeners come out of the closet.

The following are two responses to the column about Dave Matthews Band and other bands who are disliked merely because they are popular, that ran on Sep. 10.

There seems to be a certain negative attitude towards anything that is popular — especially music groups. The notion is that if it's popular, then it must be fleeting or, the word I detest most of all, trendy. Trendy is the label stamped onto anything and everything that a lot of people like.

The whole concept, to me, is ironic. Today, among college students mainly, the bandwagon that so many preach against has become their main source of transportation. What I mean is that there is a growing tendency to conform to nonconformity.

In the column about Dave Matthews Band, for example, the writer mentions that many people search for a band that nobody else has heard of. This is the ultimate form of individuality; it gives people a sense that they know something that nobody else knows. Why not search for music that sets your ears on fire, or calms you like nothing else? You know, listen for beautiful melodies, intricate accompaniments or maybe a great voice. In my opinion, it is just as trendy to dislike a band because they are popular, as it is to like one simply because they are.

When I was in the 10th grade, I heard 311 (I'll pause for the inevitable groans) for the first time. I didn't like them at first, but over the course of a few months, they proved me wrong. They gave me a new meaning to the cliché "music to my ears." I had never known such ecstasy could be felt through my ears.

Anyway, I saw them three times in small clubs, with my one friend who actually knew who they were, too. I was so close to them I shook S.A.'s hand and managed to get Chad Sexton's stage list. I remember my surprise when, my freshman year here, I actually heard someone playing 311 in the dorm. My point is, nobody knew who the hell they were, so yeah, I felt like I had this great secret that nobody else knew.

This December, I went to see them in Winston Salem at the coliseum. I was so far away that I felt like I was watching a video, not a live concert. Now, the same jokes you hear about DMB are circulating about 311. It's funny, because now I feel as though I still have a secret. Those that joke about them being trendy weren't there, in 1995, at Myrtle Beach, front row, watching and listening to every minute sight and sound in that sweaty club and having a great time. They were probably listening to bands like Pearl Jam (who I'm not knocking and actually like a lot), which they now most likely make fun of, too.

Well, after all this babbling, the point I want to make is for anyone to like whatever you want. (Gee, that's a profound statement.) Those who try to place you in a nice category for it probably don't know what they're missing.

Ashlyn Poole
 Senior, Communications

I have to agree with the writer about DMB. Many people may not like them because so many other people like them, but that hasn't changed my opinion of them. I think they have a very unique sound that is unlike anything else out there on the "market." Their music causes my emotions to flow freely, allowing me to express a side of myself often hidden by daily concerns and thoughts. Their music also causes something else to happen; it brings out the rhythm deep inside myself and makes me just want to get up and dance.

I love DMB, and I think anyone else who doesn't agree with me should just keep their comments to themselves.

Jason Parcell
 Junior, Mechanical Engineering

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Thunderchild storms through Raleigh

◆ Come on Thunderchild will come to the Cantina Saturday.

NEIL HEBERT
 Senior Staff Writer

First, let's get the name out of the way. It's from H.G. Wells' "War of the Worlds." Specifically, the part when the Martians are descending and turning everything in their path into taffy.



Charlotte-based band brings back the best sounds of '70s rock.

Charlotte-based band brings back the best sounds of '70s rock. If you're a fan of the band, you'll only have one hope: an iron ship called Thunderchild. "Come on, Thunderchild!" they call, hoping to remain solid for another day.

If creating a rock-and-roll mythology from science fiction seems straight out of 1973, it's no coincidence. Come On Thunderchild reveals in the decade, specifically in the party-rock pioneered by the Stones between Beggar's Banquet and Exile on Main Street. Into that pot they throw in pinches of glam rock (think T-Rex), psychedelia (early Yes, Jimi Hendrix), butt-rock (Bachman-Turner Overdrive, Bad Company) and southern

power-pop (Big Star). Sound appetizing? The Cornelius, N.C.-based band will be serving it up live Saturday night at the Cantina and Sunday night at Local 506 in Chapel Hill.

Thunderchild, arising out of the remains of Charlotte's Electro Luxe, have gained a loyal following on the strength of their live shows. Critics have begun to take notice as well, with "The Daily Tarheel" going so far as to say, "It would be the same type of mistake as sleeping with your cousin if you miss COT next time." While I must confess to being unfamiliar with that type of mistake, I nevertheless think I understand after having listened to Thunderchild's self-titled debut album.

Lead vocalist John Morris sings in a southern-fried tenor that has a touch of gravel, sounding sometimes weary, sometimes defiant. On the album, he often doubles up his vocals and receives help on the laid-back harmonies from his band mates. Morris also plays some guitar and holds down the keyboard parts (mostly piano and organ).

Six-string wiz Randolph "Rainy Day" Lewis handles most of the guitar work, avoiding indulgent solos and concentrating on hip accents and coloration. His guitar authoritatively drives the band on the hard numbers and subtly calls attention to itself on the ballads, upstaging at times the lush and melodic vocals. Lewis and producer Curt Perkins know just when to break out the wah-wah pedal, how wet to make the reverberation on the atmospheric slide-guitar passages and how dry to keep the Keith Richards rhythm parts.

Much like Matthew Sweet, Lewis and Morris have studied the classic pop of the '70s

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Matt Damon with Edward Norton in a scene from John Dahl's 'Rounders'.

A round of applause for 'Rounders'

◆ Matt Damon once again plays the character we all love with precision.

DICTOR PRINCE
 Senior Staff Writer

Matt Damon's new movie is just like his other movies, more or less.

In "Rounders," Damon plays Mike McDermott, a misundervalued kid with an unmistakable talent. This time, though, it's not for finishing calculus proofs or practicing law (though law is involved); McDermott is a poker player.

Matt Damon is easily one of the hottest Hollywood actors around these days, and surprisingly it has little to do with the way the women seem to fall all over themselves when they see him. He's actually a rising talent who

also just happens to be a star. Anyone who has seen Damon's writing and acting in full swing can attest to that. ("Good Will Hunting," anyone?) The thing is, the guy's in a groove.

In "Rounders," Damon's character, Mike, is confronted with cold reality after losing all of his poker winnings in one hand of two-card stud. Now, don't feel bad if you don't understand — neither do we, nor do we care. What keeps our attention is not the meaningless poker vernacular that Damon issues us in his voice-over reminiscent of Ray Liotta's in "Goodfellas"; it's the actual voice-over. Its presence feels like a reassuring hand all the way through this movie, despite the fact that it isn't always genuinely helpful. We're like kids let in on a joke that is

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COMING UP

Cinema

Campus Cinema
 (all shows \$1.50 w/student ID)
 Thurs., Sept. 24 "Henry Fool" at 6:30 & 9 p.m.
 Fri., Sept. 25 "Mulan" at 7, 9 & 11 p.m.
 Sun., Sept. 27 "To Kill a Mockingbird" at 7 p.m. FREE

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Music

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Record Exchange - Hillsborough St.

Thurs., Sept. 24 9 lbs., Ilphonic
 Fri., Sept. 25 Southern Culture on the Skids
 Sat., Sept. 26 Negative State, Slignut, Faceplant
 Wed., Sept. 29 Alltergo
 Thurs., Sept. 30 Triangle Musicians Exchange Program
Cat's Cradle
 Thurs., Sept. 24 Catpower
 Fri., Sept. 25 Film Night, then Rebate
 Sat., Sept. 26 Robbie Fuiks
 Sun., Sept. 27 Greyboy All-Stars
 Tues., Sept. 29 Elliot Smith, Quasi

Record Exchange - Hillsborough St.

Wed., Sept. 30 Dump 116 at 7 p.m.
Rhythm Alley - Durham
 Fri., Sept. 25 New Vintage (bluegrass)
 Sat., Sept. 26 Balfa Tourjour (cajun)
 Sun., Sept. 27 CJ Chenier & The Redhot Louisiana Band
 Tues., Sept. 29 Rebecca & The Hi Tones
 Wed., Sept. 30 Indoor Storm
Walnut Creek
 Sat., Sept. 26 Alan Jackson, Deanna Carter
 Wed., Sept. 30 Matchbox 20, Paula

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Performances

Durham Arts Council Bldg.
 Sun., Sept. 27 Mallarme Chamber Players at 3 p.m. \$5
Jones Auditorium - Meredith
 Tues.-Sat., Sept. 29-Oct. 3 "Locked Doors and Lightning Bugs" at 8 p.m.
Memorial Auditorium - Raleigh
 Fri.-Sat., Sept. 25-26 N.C. Symphony performance at 8 p.m. \$15
 NCSU Thompson Theatre

Thurs., Sept. 24 "Integrity Brings with it an Empty Plate" at 8 p.m.

Playmakers Repertory
 Sat., Sept. 26 "The Tempest" at 8 p.m. Also Sun., Sept. 27 at 2 p.m.
Raleigh Little Theatre
 Tues., Sept. 29 House Manager Workshop 7 to 9 p.m.
 Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 24-26 "The Real Inspector Hound" at 8 p.m.
Temple Theatre - Sanford
 Thurs.-Sat., Sept. 24-26 "The Foreigner," a Larry Shue comedy, at 8 p.m. \$14
 Also Sept. 27 at 2:30 p.m.

Events

ArtsCenter
 Sat., Sept. 26 Gil Scott Heron Quartet (jazz) at 7:30 p.m. \$15
 Mon., Sept. 28 Sinead Lohan (Irish) at 9 p.m. \$6
 Wed., Sept. 30 "Celebrating Rumi's Birthday" at 9 p.m. \$5
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Rounder

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no less funny simply because we don't understand the context.

Gretchen Mol plays McDermott's reassuring girlfriend (nag), Jo. She tries to keep him on the straight and narrow after he quits poker to focus on, what else, law school. Her character is oddly overplayed, in a very under-whelming way. We see a lot of her, but she most assuredly wouldn't be missed were she not there. Her part seems like an afterthought, as do many in the film.

There are a few exceptions to this, though. Mike's best friend, Worm, is played by Edward Norton (Primal Fear), who plays sleazy to a tee, in whatever context. Mike picks Worm up from a correctional facility early on in "Rounders," and chaos ensues. Worm, who is still an avid card shark, is all over Mike like a bad suit the entire movie, constantly pushing him heading into trouble, with everyone from his girlfriend to the Russian mob. Of course, Worm's irresponsibility keeps the movie going and ultimately provides plot, rising action and climax.

John Malkovich takes a wonderfully comedic turn as Teddy KGB, head of the New York underground Russian mob, and all around good card player. He is Damon's foil, and he plays it. Orleans in hand, with style and class of

an actor of his caliber. Oh, and his Russian accent is a trip. He's easily one of the best parts of the movie.

But again, haven't we seen all this before? The kid with a gift who abandons it for the work-day life, only to find that his true fate lies in the very thing he avoids? Sure we have. But it's done so well, and does it really matter? Damon is taking cues from other actors that came to fame recycling their appeal. How many times, exactly, have we seen Jack Nicholson play a psychopath? How many times have we seen Tom Cruise play, well, Tom Cruise? There is a method to all of this.

Sure, Damon should get his feet wet in other types of roles (Cruise in "Born on the Fourth of July," "Interview with a Vampire"). But the truth is, we love to see these guys play the same part over and over because it maintains a sense of familiarity. I love Tom Cruise because he's the guy I'd like to be -- strong-willed and crazy, yet eventually committed and caring. And who among us does not? I actually find myself seeing Matt Damon in that same light more and more.

Yeah, Damon is a method actor, but does that make this movie bad? No. It would take a lot more than Damon to shoot this classic formula down. "Rounders" is a terrific movie; the poker gives suspense, Norton and Malkovich give us comedic sleaziness and Matt Damon gives us Matt Damon. Which is all we really want anyway, isn't it?

Rock

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closely, and it has paid off. The vocals and guitars are intertwined in precise and exquisite arrangements, and bring the sometimes workmanlike songs up several notches as a result. Drummer David Kim and bassist Ben Towle form a loosey-goosey rhythm section, with Kim partial to his ride cymbals and Towle serving the groove.

Lyrics are the Thunderchild's most noticeable shortcoming: clunky and awkwardly inverted lines such as "to this whore, must I always be so loyal" pop up frequently, usually in the interest of completing a single-song rhyme scheme. "Pedal Steel Guitar" starts out thus: "Here come the ne'er-do-wells/ringing their broken bells/disclosing private hells." Never mind trying to imagine the sound of broken bells ringing, this is just plugging in lines on the way to the chorus.

But when all the boys grab their harmony parts behind Morris, they could be singing from a software manual, and it would sound great. With Thunderchild, it's not that important what the words are saying, because the music is talking louder, saying something along the lines of "Hey, everyone, let's get groovy."

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 Bryan Center - Duke West Campus
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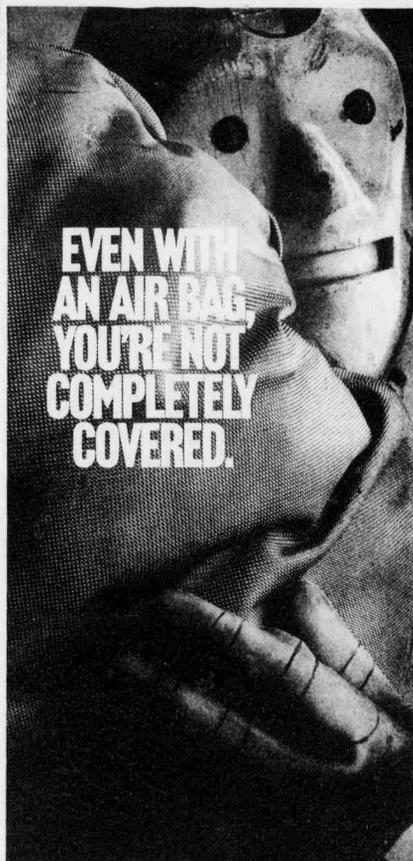
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Technician's View

Japan in turmoil

Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi met President Clinton in New York Tuesday with reform of the Japanese banking system the number-one topic but with nothing substantive in hand. He had left Tokyo with the outline of a plan, a reassurance for Washington, D.C., and other major capitals that his two-month-old government intended to do its share to revive the sagging global economy. But by the time he arrived in Manhattan, the plan to handle \$1 trillion in bad bank loans was in tatters back home.

His ruling Liberal Democratic Party and the political opposition accused each other of renegeing on a compromise deal. Hopes that Japan could put its house in order were dashed again. This was no time to show up empty-handed. The disappointment around the world was audible.

Recession in the world's second-largest economy — the worst in 50 years — is a drag on other Asian countries struggling for economic recovery in this year of crisis, and the slowdown in Asia is being felt in the United States. American exports to Asia are falling, and U.S. companies feel the pinch.

Obuchi, in commenting during his New York visit, was noncommittal about prospects for bank reform. Sensitive to the political obstacles he faces at home, he said, "I'm not optimistic nor pessimistic on

this. I am convinced that we will be able to do something."

So can Obuchi deliver? Japan needs to protect depositors while overseeing an orderly dismantling of troubled banks. But Obuchi's party must discard its penchant for protecting the status quo for business and banking interests. That's not likely, and meanwhile small businesses are being squeezed hardest by the credit crunch.

The compromise bank reform plan came apart when the LDP renewed its insistence on pumping public money into the Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, which the opposition was prepared to let fall into insolvency. This is the key issue at the moment, and it's clear that some Japanese banks would not survive true reform. In these cases, public funds should be used to protect depositors, not shareholders.

Obuchi and Japan will increasingly lose credibility if the banking crisis is allowed to fester. If the prime minister is unable to forge acceptable legislation upon his return to Tokyo, an opposition call for new national elections is probable. Just the prospect of that might further deepen paralysis in policymaking and surely would delay bank reform. That's something Japan and its trading partners cannot afford.

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CAMPUS FORUM

Helms bashing a proven loser

Robert Greene used his movie review of "Dear Jesse" ("The Jesse Effect," Sept. 10, 1998), not as a column concerning an ill-conceived low-budget film that goes nowhere, but as a forum to editorialize his hatred for Senator Jesse Helms.

Pity to Mr. Greene. Will someone tell him that making cheap attacks on N.C. senior U.S. Senator is a tired, worn-out practice? Mr. Greene, I hate to break this news to you, but people have been spewing their venom at Jesse Helms before you were even born. You follow in the footsteps of other misguided liberals who have tried to make a career out of demonizing Helms. And like those before you who have failed at it, Mr. Greene, you reheated anti-Helms remarks lacked creativity and imagination.

If you have a problem with Senator Helms, then take it up with the millions of North Carolinians who, via every election, continue to appreciate his courage to fight for principle, values and high standards. My advice, Mr. Greene, is to move on with your life. Use your energy to be productive at some other useful activity. Badmouthing Helms is a proven waste of time.

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I have but one question: where do

Column quality questioned

you find the opinion writers? I have looked through Technician every day for the past week, and all I have found have been people rambling on about nothing, or about fashion. Who cares if people happen to enjoy wearing their PE uniform outside of PE class? Doesn't she know that they happen to sell the exact same clothing and that they may not be coming from or going to class?

Reading the headlines makes me wonder who comes up with them. On some of them, I feel the need to rec-

ommend that someone invent a creativity award just for the headline writer.

Please tell me that I just happened to pick a bad set of days to read the paper, or that I happened to miss the really good ones that have been printed this week.

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O' Cain's words cause concern

"It is easier to say we weren't ready to play, but the truth is we didn't know how good Baylor was." Just remember that you said it, Mike, not me. This is not really a comment you expect from a Division I football coach.

Let me repeat: "We didn't know how good Baylor was." Those words just ring in your ears, Mike, maybe you have blocked out the game four years ago when Baylor came up here and shut us out. Of course if I were you, I would have blocked that out, too, along with all the other heart-breaking, should-have-won games that we didn't.

Now before anyone out there jumps down my throat saying "I bet he didn't say anything when they beat FSU," the fact is I did. I have never been a Mike O'Cain fan, and I personally don't think he had a lot to do with the FSU win. Not to take anything away from the players — they did an absolutely fabulous job and deserve all the credit in the world, but let's look at the game: six interceptions, most of which, in all honesty, did not occur because of our tight coverage but because of the inaccurate throws of Chris Weinke. Again, I am not taking anything away from the defense — they did exactly what they needed to do to win and came up with several big plays.

On the offensive side, Mike put Tony Holt in motion and got him the football. Oohh pure genius. Mike, get your playmaker the football. Let's be brutally honest. Mike, your offense isn't all that difficult to figure out. Some of your formations just blow my mind, but that is a whole other story.

Yes, the team was fired up and came

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Contrary to popular belief, engineers — not anyone else in a science or technology field for that matter — are not superior to the rest of the world.

Ever since the dawn of time — or at least my freshman year in college — I have been forced to endure snide remarks, generally from engineering, math or science students, about humanities majors. "They have run the gamut from kidding ("Who else would edit our research?") to downright ignorant ("Math and science are far more important in the world than any social science.")

To hear such comments from friends, classmates or acquaintances was bad enough, but to have virtually the same sentiments expressed by our chancellor borders on the obscene.

In a speech at a General Faculty Meeting on Aug. 18 of this year, Chancellor Myrae Anne Fox stated her belief that NCSU should focus mainly on what are generally considered its traditional strengths of "science, engineering and technology, while incor-

Cathy Wilfong
Assistant Opinion Editor

porating superb complementary work in design, management, the humanities and social sciences."

Excuse me? "Complementary work?" I refuse to let a degree I have worked toward for nearly four years be downgraded to "complementary work." If this is the case, then I guess any political science major — or possible future senator or president — would be considered "complementary" to my electronics. Or that an English major and future Pulitzer Prize winner would be affixed a "complementary" title to someone who writes math textbooks.

And, evidently, many people in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences took offense to such a remark as well, seeing as that Chancellor Fox received a flurry of letters and e-mails regarding the matter. So after carefully reflecting on the matter for a weekend, Fox churned out a five-page "white paper," earnestly expressing her vision for the future of humanities and social sciences at NCSU. And thus, the chancellor reconciled herself with the members of CHASS, apparently pleasing everyone up to the dean of the college.

I, however, am not so easily appeased.

Rights that are violated

PHIL BALETTA
Staff Columnist

During the time period surrounding the American Revolution, one of our great founding fathers, Thomas Jefferson, was quoted as saying: "Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom." Now, over 200 years later, Jefferson's words still ring true. Although the Constitution seemingly guarantees us, the American people, unalienable individual rights, there are some who wish to strip us of our rights — and it's these people of whom we must be "eternally vigilant."

First on this list are those who are fighting for laws that would either pre-

vent, or at least strongly deter, Americans from owning guns. Despite the clear language of the Second Amendment, these zealots scream about the danger of guns and want to effectively prevent their sale. Granted, guns shouldn't be sold to those with criminal records or a history of serious mental illness, but there is no reason why a law-abiding, psychologically stable individual should not be allowed to possess a gun.

In addition to being a blatant violation of rights, this is also illogical. Think about it — no matter how many anti-gun laws are passed, there will still be a strong black market for such weaponry, where the underworld's thugs will have easy access to the

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the area our campus covers, the hours of operation, the parking situation and the vast number and variety of people that frequent the area on any given day, we probably are fortunate that more incidents do not occur. Needless to say, it does not lessen the blow of the incidents that do occur and the odds of the crime being committed to us. Should we stay up at night worrying if we are going to be next to get robbed or raped? Absolutely not. However, we should not be blind to the fact that we are vulnerable to these situations, and they do exist.

With N.C. State's student population reaching 28,000, plus several more thousands in faculty and staff, assurance of safety should be one of the main concerns and at the top of the administration's priority list. After reading the two articles mentioned previously in this column, I cannot help but wonder

just how concerned the university is over our safety and what, if any, steps have been taken to make changes in the Public Safety Department and university policies to prevent terrible assaults like that from happening again. I realize that the university cannot provide a safety officer to hold each of our hands in order to protect us while on campus; however, it would be comforting to know that Public Safety was especially careful to hire employees that are not only qualified for the job but also have no previous history of criminal record or alleged sexual misconduct.

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Defending CHASS

In the first place, NCSU is long overdue for a facelift in the reputation department. I am sick of hearing my cherished university referred to as a "math and science" institution. Not that there is anything wrong with any area of academics that falls under these headings, but there are so many other offerings at this university that it hardly seems right to categorize it in this manner. As a matter of fact, CHASS is one of the largest colleges on campus. So it hardly seems fair that so many students and faculty members are virtually ignored when portraying NCSU. A university with 12 individual colleges should be presented as such. N.C. State should be lauded as an uniquely diverse university that gives all its students a well-rounded education.

Secondly, there are many respected and renowned professors and faculty members in areas other than science, engineering or technology. I have had excellent instructors from all departments — history, English and, yes,

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Safety at NCSU presents a blatant gray area

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statement" and a "release statement" that authorizes the university to perform a background search. Knowing this information, it is hard for me to understand how L.L. Pierre Debnam, the officer charged with sexually assaulting a student, was ever permitted to work at the university. I can only wonder if any of the other officers have similar background records. It is unfortunate, too, that good officers with excellent records and work histories must deal with this situation. I offer an apology to them but, as an average student, I would have no way of knowing the good from the bad.

Instead of filing a motion to have a civil case against NCSU and Public Safety Officer Chief Ralph Harper dismissed by using the 11th Amendment, shouldn't the university be accountable

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Forum

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out and played at the top of their game, but, Mike, it doesn't take a lot to fire kids who are playing the number two team in the country. The real test comes in preparing your team for the games they should win, i.e. Baylor, and your grade in this category is an F. I again repeat: "We didn't know how good Baylor was." It's your job to know, Mike, that is why we pay you, but that should make no difference. What are you trying to say? "If we would have known they were good, we would have practiced more."

It shouldn't matter whether you are playing FSU or Prairie View, it is your job to make sure your team is ready to perform that week. To say that your team wasn't ready because you didn't know how good the other team was just shows incompetence on your part, Mike, we have the athletes and the talent to do great things this year, and all the players and fans deserve that, but it is going to take a lot better effort from the coaching staff for that to happen. I'm not asking for much, Mike, just give the players the opportunity they deserve to win football games.

Just a little tip for you, Mike, Syracuse is GOOD, really GOOD. There, now you know, but then again it's not really the 'Cuse game that worries me, it's the following two weeks with home games against Georgia Tech and Duke — two games that, knock on wood, we should win, that scare me. Yes, it would be great to knock off another top-10 team, but those wins will only carry us so far. You always hear about coaches that can't win big games; in this case I'll settle for the little ones.

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Alumnus loves Technician!

Last Friday, a worn newspaper with bent covers showed up on my desk open to your article in Technician. It had circulated around the office and came with a Post-it note saying "Greg, this is a must read." I enjoyed the article enough to show family and friends. Politics aside, I agree that Monica Lewinsky won't get a fraction of the humiliation Clinton has to bear. Bottom-line, your humorous and poignant article made me think that about the whole situation from a different angle. I believe your advice will serve to be very prophetic. I look forward to future articles.

Greg Rolrbach,
NCSU, Class of '95

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and responsible for the actions of its Public Safety officers? Should students, faculty and staff feel safe requesting "Escort Services," provided by Public Safety during the hours of darkness on campus in light of this situation? I can't honestly say that I feel any safer using the service, preferring to just take my chances, in lieu of this article. Have any changes been made within the Public Safety Department to prevent this from happening again?

With the Latch case remaining open and no additional information available, even after several months, I agree with the opinion of Mr. Koehrsberger, an associate professor of English, that Public Safety's silence might make it look as if they are "covering up for incompetence." One can only wonder that if and when information surfaces, will the university and Public Safety Department seek to hide under the 11th Amendment again? I hope for Dana Latch's sake and the sake of everyone else on campus that the person responsible will one day be prosecuted for his actions.

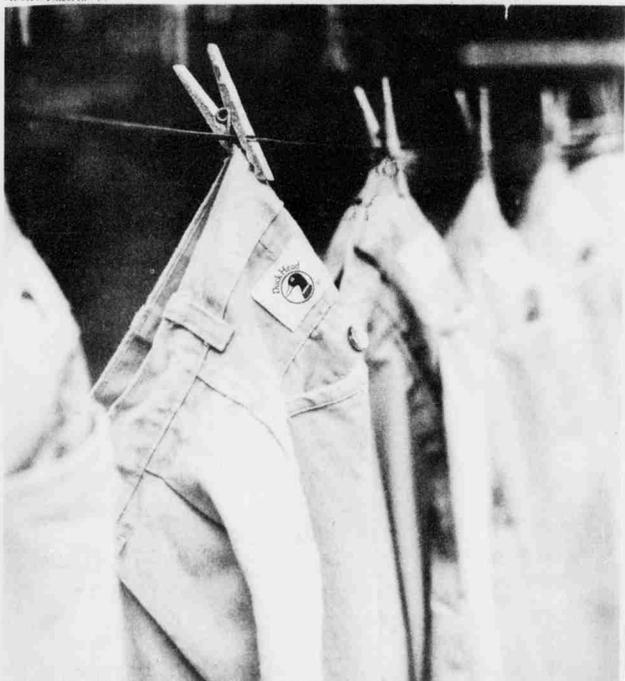
I really hate to sound like I am putting down Public Safety at N.C. State in general. I know there are several officers with good morals who are working all day long making sure that the student body, faculty and staff are safe. It just terrifies me that there may be another officer like Pierre Debnam roaming the campus, posing as an individual we can go to if trouble should come along. N.C. State in general has a good reputation, but why does it hide behind an amendment when one of its students is violated by a person whom they hired even after knowing of his past? N.C. State should just less up to their mistake and back the innocent student who was completely violated. No amount of money could ever compensate for the damages that the officer did to her psychologically, but the school going against her makes the situation even worse.

In the end, she will wind up with nothing — all because of the pathetic excuse for an officer. Furthermore, we still know nothing more about the assault on Ms. Latch since the day the incident occurred in May of this year. Taking a little over four months to investigate what happened in the Latch case is a bit ridiculous. We are still being told that the Public Safety Department is not allowed to release any information to anyone — that is, if they have any to release.

Overall, it is my sincerest hope that N.C. State is addressing the Public Safety issue and is truly working to make this campus a safer place.

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Christians should reject abortion and pornography by their own volition — without the aid of legislatures.

Another common target of the religious right is the homosexual population. Granted, I am in no way, shape or form approving of such a lifestyle but, to go engage in all that crazy stuff behind closed doors, it's not my business to stop them. All this talk of it being "a crime against nature" is bullsh— it's simply individuals engaging in a behavior of their choice. As long as they're not violating anyone else's rights in the act, it's fair game. Just because other citizens (myself included) find the idea of this act disconcerting doesn't mean there should be laws banning it. If individual rights are going to work for anyone, they must work for all of us.

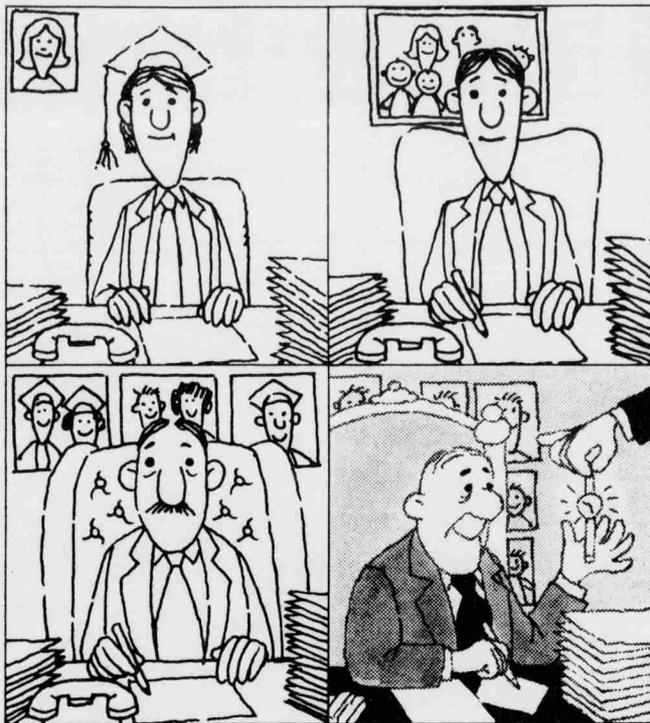
I'd like to close with another quote — this one by the legendary black leader Steven Biko: "The most potent weapon in the hands of the oppressor is the mind of the oppressed." Folks, don't get caught in the trap of thinking that "they can make better decisions regarding our life than we can" or "they're doing it for the common good," because once we start letting our collective guard down, many of our unalienable rights — the ones Jefferson and his counterparts worked so hard to win — will slowly slip away.

Wilfong

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math and science. And I would say that I am a better person for having been exposed to such varied viewpoints and areas of study.

In closing, I would like to say that I am not for or against any particular area of study. Some of my best friends fall under the category of a "science, engineering or technology" major. And I admire the fact that they can do differential equations and organic chemistry while I struggle with basic calculus. But I also deserve respect for my talents and interests in writing, reading and history, as does anyone else who is a student of the humanities or social sciences. All of these things are important to our future and our livelihood; no one major is superior to any other. Just remember that the next time you hear N.C. State referred to as "Moo U."



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WILLIAM DOUGLAS
Newsday

WASHINGTON — Standing among statues of the founders and builders of America's freedom, South African President Nelson Mandela Wednesday received the Congressional Gold Medal for his role in ending apartheid and promoting racial healing in his country. Mandela, who will retire next spring, received a raucous ovation from an audience that crammed the Capitol's Rotunda to witness him become the 100th person, and the first African, to receive the nation's highest civilian honor. "There's one regret I've had

throughout my life — that I never became the heavyweight boxing champion of the world." Mandela told the room full of elected officials, diplomats and other dignitaries. "Today, I feel like the heavyweight boxing champion of the world." Congress awarded the medal to Mandela for surviving 27 years of prison at the hands of South Africa's white rulers and becoming the first democratically elected president, presiding over the first multi-racial South African government. "No medal, no award, no fortune, nothing we could give him could possibly compare to the gifts he has given us and to the world," said President Clinton, who presented the medal to Mandela. "The only gift that is true recompense is to continue his mission and to live by the power of his profound and wonderful example." House Speaker Newt Gingrich compared Mandela's historical sig-

nificance to George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., Americans whose portraits or statues grace the Rotunda. "There are some moments in a country's history when it is defined by a personality," Gingrich said. "We are privileged today to be in the presence of the father of multiracial democracy in Africa and the leading example in the world today in the spirit of Washington." Wednesday's event in Washington was bipartisan with Clinton, House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., and Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., sharing the dais with Gingrich, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., and Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., a former segregationist who hoisted Mandela's arm in triumph. Clinton marveled at Mandela's "sense of serenity and peace and engagement in the moment," not

showing any hatred toward the men who kept him behind bars for 10,000 days. Both presidents used the ceremony to talk about policy and improving links between the United States and Africa. "Though we are long past the blaming of our past for our problems, it does need to be acknowledged that the imbalance and inequities bequeathed to us by the history of Africa and South Africa are beyond our capacity to meet on our own," Mandela said. "They call for a partnership of Africa and the United States, developing and developed countries bringing about a transfer of resources." Clinton assured Mandela that "the work of our common struggle with people with whom we share a common past and with whom we must build a common future in South Africa and throughout the African continent has only begun."

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like mediocre plays and stuff like that are not acceptable this year," Robinson said. "The intensity and the precision of our passes, of our plays, of our mental attitudes has increased so much that only newly perfect is acceptable by this team."

"We have a group of girls that do not what you say, it is what you do," Hall said. "The freshmen are even contributing as leaders. They are not afraid to lose a friend because of what they say. They'll come right up with 'that's not a good pass, you need to make it better next time.'"

Clemson returns nine players from last year's ACC Tournament Championship team, including Cindy Stern who was one of two alternates picked for the U.S. National team.

State will have to combat the Tigers from line of three players all standing over 6 feet 1 inch. Hall says that the Pack plan of attack will be to spread the court and control the defensive end.

The Tigers should be wary of overlooking the Pack. Clemson faces off against State at 7:00 on Friday night and then takes on pre-season No. 1 pick Florida State just 24 hours later.

"We're just preparing for Clemson, and I am sure that they are preparing for Florida State," Hall said.

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Getting back on track

◆ The men's soccer team is looking to snap a five-game losing streak this Sunday at Clemson.

TIM HUNTER
Assistant Sports Editor

The year was 1962, and the head coach of the men's soccer team was Nellie Cooper. That was the last time the Wolfpack lost more than four games in a row, something it has already done this season.

State takes an uncharacteristic five-game losing streak to Riggs Field in Clemson, S.C., on Sunday at 2 p.m. The last time the Pack even lost four in a row was in 1976.

"If you look at the results, we have not been making a lot of progress, unfortunately, lately," Pack Head Coach George Tarantini said. "But we must keep working and keep trying to figure out what we can do to increase the opportunity to score."

Clemson had been ranked as high as first in the nation in the soccer polls before losing at Duke 2-0 this past Sunday.

The Pack must start getting more shots on goal if it is to put this streak to an end.

"The offense is not performing the way we should be," Tarantini said. "We have been looking for different combinations, but we believe we could become a better team if we keep working on the basics, and the basics is getting shots on goal."

State has been out-shot 44-17 in its last three contests and outscored 8-0. The Wolfpack struggled at home against a solid Maryland team last weekend, losing 3-0.

"We have got to score goals," Tarantini added. "Our production for goals the past three games has been very poor."

However, don't count the Wolfpack out quite yet. The Pack defeated the Tigers last year and held them to a 0-0 tie in 1996.

"We have a very good opportunity at Clemson to find out where we are," Tarantini said. "And I think the team is working extremely hard."

Clemson is led by All-American candidate Wojtek Krakowiak. Before Wednesday

night's games, the junior midfielder led the ACC in points (18) and goals (seven). Showing his versatility, Krakowiak is also fourth in assists. In a game against Belmont earlier this year, Krakowiak racked up an incredible seven points in one game.

The Tigers can back up their gaudy rankings — Clemson leads the ACC in scoring offense and is ranked second in shutouts.

"Clemson has always been a very offensive team, and we need to understand that," Tarantini said.

"The conference is very tough, but it is the only way you can get ready to play for the tournament. It is a great experience for us."

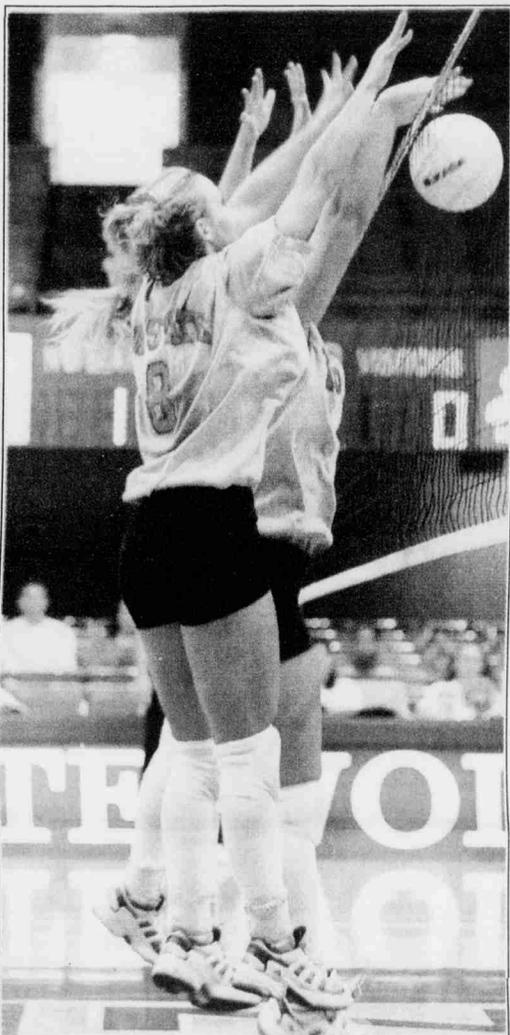
"Every team in the ACC is a good team, and of course Clemson is a good team."

State will have to play its best game to defeat the Tigers, but a win is not out of reach.

The Pack will simply have to do something it hasn't done since Sept. 5 — score goals.



Junior co-captain Sebastian Rodriguez looks to help lead the Pack to its first ACC victory of the season against Clemson this weekend.



The Pack gets its first shot at ACC competition this weekend.

Upset-minded

◆ N.C. State's positive attitude looks to pull the Pack through the ACC schedule.

K. GREFFNEY
Sports Editor

The N.C. State volleyball team has been on a roll and plans to continue its winning ways this weekend as the Pack takes on Clemson in State's first taste of ACC competition in the 1998 season.

State enters the weekend on a nine-game winning streak and with an 11-2 record overall.

According to Coach Kim Hall, the success that the Pack has enjoyed in the last few weeks has prepared the Pack for the ACC

fatigue. "While the team is still battling physical fatigue, according to Robinson, the mental and the emotional anguish are no longer there.

"We are looking good and we are prepared. We are getting things taken care of in practice and executing in the games," Robinson said.

Last year the Wolfpack entered its Atlantic Coast Conference schedule after starting the season 0-9, a stretch that included defeat in 15 straight games in five matches.

After beating four opponents on its home court, the Wolfpack debuted into the ACC season with six straight losses.

During the losing streak, the Pack won just four of the 24 games played against six different opponents.

State's streak ended with an upset of the Clemson Tigers in South Carolina. The Pack defeated the Tigers in five sets but State has been notorious for picking off the Tigers, who are ranked No. 2 in the ACC preseason Coaches Poll.

"We've upset Clemson once a year, both there and at home too," Robinson said. "I think that is the advantage for us, because they are thinking about that."

Another advantage for State is that the Pack has a completely different make-up from the team that finished 3-13 in the conference last season.

Not only do the Pack have five new faces, they have 11 new attitudes.

"The things that were acceptable last year, like mediocre plays and stuff like that are not

ACC Volleyball Kickoff

Friday, September 25

N.C. State at Clemson	7:00 p.m.
Maryland at Duke	7:30 p.m.
UNC-CH at Georgia Tech	7:00 p.m.
Virginia at Wake Forest	7:00 p.m.

see what works, which you can't do if another team is just killing you on the court. We've had a buffer to make adjustments that we just didn't have last year."

But not to be overlooked is the improved morale of the team over last season's 0-9 start.

"The biggest thing is just your confidence level," senior co-captain Kaitlin Robinson said. "Last year we just fought and fought and fought, and we lost and we lost. It was very discouraging. You are fighting physical fatigue, and when you are losing like that you are also fighting mental and emotional

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acc standings MEN'S SOCCER

	W	L	T
Duke	1	0	0
Virginia	1	0	1
Clemson	1	1	0
Maryland	1	1	0
Wake Forest	0	0	1
UNC	0	1	0
N.C. State	0	1	0



N.C. State will take on two opponents in Greensboro.

◆ Women's soccer team ready for tough road ahead.

JAMES BRADLEY SMITH
Staff Writer

The N.C. State women's soccer team hopes this weekend's games in Greensboro will be different from its 3-1 loss to UNC-Greensboro earlier this month.

This weekend the team takes on San Diego State and James Madison in a round robin tournament hosted by UNC-G. With a 2-5 record, the Wolfpack will have to play its best soccer against these two nationally ranked opponents, as the weekend's matchups will prove to be two of the team's toughest games of the year.

San Diego State is off to its best start in 10 years. Nationally ranked No. 16, the Aztecs have won five straight games including wins over UCLA and USC, both top-20 teams.

The Wolfpack will have trouble with this team's experience and depth. San Diego State will start seven seniors on Friday.

James Madison will prove to be just as tough. The Dukes are always a strong program, profiting from good recruiting in the highly competitive Northern Virginia area. This season JMU has won four straight games and will come into the weekend with a 5-2 record. Duke's most current loss came at the hands of Virginia, in a 3-2 double overtime defeat.

In order to be successful this weekend, Wolfpack Head Coach Laura Kerrigan claims the team will have to start controlling the ball and capitalizing more on offense.

"We played our best half of soccer this season. We were just unable to capitalize on our shots on goal," said Kerrigan of the Pack's game 2-0 loss to Virginia this past weekend.

Kerrigan is also looking forward to having Shannon Blair and Monica Holiday back from injuries this weekend.

The team has not played a game since last Sunday's blowout against Maryland. The Wolfpack took a beating, losing 5-0 to the Terrapins at College Park.

"The girls took it rough but they have remained focused, and they know they are learning. This is a young team and they are improving," Kerrigan noted.

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