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Debnam retrial set for January

◆ Pierre Debnam, a former Public Safety officer, will be back in court in the beginning of January to answer to sexual assault charges after his first trial ended with a hung jury.

JACK DALY
News Editor

The retrial of a Public Safety officer accused of sexually assaulting a female student during a traffic stop on campus last year is slated for the

beginning of January.

The first trial, which concluded on Sept. 24, was declared a mistrial after jury members could not agree on a verdict.

Assistant District Attorney Frank Jackson said Tuesday that early January is the first available date for the district attorneys to retry Pierre Debnam.

"Because of scheduling conflicts with other trials, it will be the second week of January before the case is retried," Jackson said.

Jackson also said yesterday that he

would incorporate a similar approach for the retrial.

"We aren't going to change anything," said Jackson. "We talked to the jurors after the first trial and none of them thought [Debnam] was innocent. Some of them just weren't sure."

Jury members on the first trial were split by a margin of eight to four. Jackson did not comment further on the case, saying "that's all I can say about an ongoing trial."

During the first trial, the former N.C.

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Speaking out for women

◆ Campus safety, equality and childcare top NCSU's female faculty, staff and student concerns.

SARAH MIRANO
Senior Staff Writer

Many members of the N.C. State community took advantage of an opportunity given to them and spoke out on Tuesday.

Caldwell lounge was the site of the Fifth Annual Speak Out for Women's Concerns.

The event was a forum to address women's rights as



Mike Pittman/Staff

Dr. Andrea Atkin, academic adviser for the First Year College, speaks at the Speak Out forum on Tuesday.

NCSU faculty members, staff members and students. The Council on the Status of Women and the Assistant Provost and Facilitator of Gender Equity, Rebecca Leonard, sponsored the event.

The Speak Out involved oral and written remarks by undergraduate and graduate students, faculty members and senior administrators.

Common concerns, read by Leslie Dare from the Office of Equal Opportunity, included public safety issues, lack of support, low salaries, lack of sufficient childcare services, racial discrimination, sexual harassment, few lunch areas and the need for self-defense instruction.

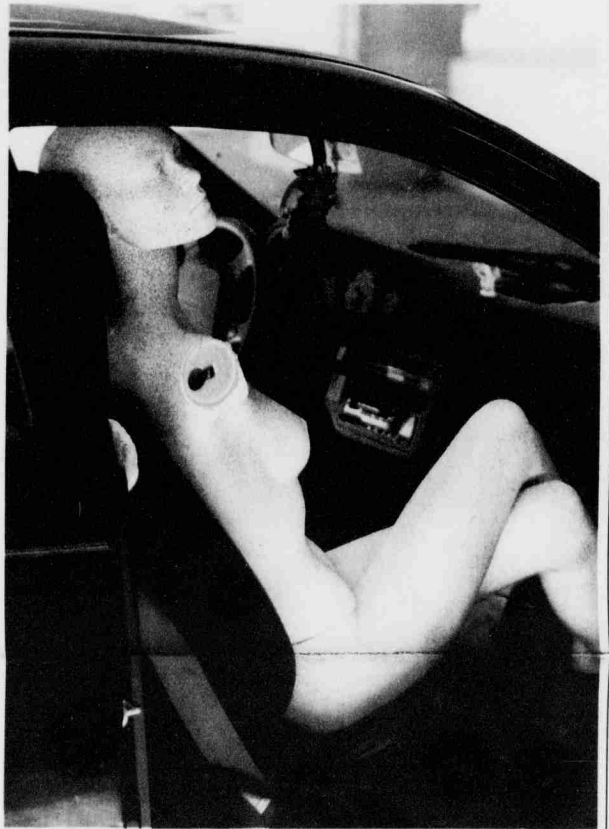
Leona Harris, a graduate student and resident of Watauga Hall, spoke out on behalf of the safety of female students on campus.

"I don't think Public Safety is doing their job," she said. Harris then described an incident that occurred last month where an armed assailant attacked a resident at her hall in front of the doorway at 11 p.m. According to Harris, the woman was cut on the side of her neck and when she screamed, the assailant ran away. Although Public Safety arrived at the scene, the incident was not made public knowledge, nor were other residents notified.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Business Jeff Mann, speaking on behalf of Public Safety, responded by assuring the audience that a notice was released in a biweekly crime report, and the investigation is still open. According to Mann, the event "didn't meet the kind of criteria to reach a broad campus notification." Such incidents would only include rape, homicide and armed rob-

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Crash Test Dummy



Britta Hansen, a student at NCSU, uses mannequins for a design project. The mannequins are on loan from the gallery at the student center.

Courts rule against censorship

◆ Under a court ruling, schools must now respond to incidents of racial harassment.

HENRY WEINSTEIN
Los Angeles Times

School districts may be held liable if they fail to respond to complaints of racial slurs by one student against another, a federal appeals court ruled on Monday—the first such decision regarding how broad a duty officials have to prevent racial harassment in schools.

But in the same case, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected the plaintiff's contention that she should be allowed to sue a school district because it required her daughter to read Mark Twain's novel "Huckleberry Finn" and William Faulkner's short story "A Rose for Emily."

Federal courts have issued a number of rulings in recent years regarding sexual harassment in schools. Harassment involving race, however, is governed by a separate federal law, and the potential for lawsuits against school districts has been unclear.

In the case at issue Monday, Kathy Monteiro, a Phoenix teacher, sued the nearby Tempe, Ariz., school district, saying officials had failed to respond to her complaints of "egregious public racial harassment" of her daughter, who is black.

Monteiro alleged that white students at Tempe Union High School called her daughter and other African-American students "nigger," and emphasized that racial epithet on a bench normally used by black students and on school walls.

She also contended that the already-hostile racial environment at the school was exacerbated by the use of "Huckleberry Finn," which contains the epithet 215 times, and the Faulkner short story "A Rose for Emily," which uses the word several times.

A federal district judge in Arizona had dismissed the suit, ruling that Monteiro would have to prove that school district officials themselves had acted with discriminatory intent. Ignoring complaints about discriminatory acts by students would not be enough to make a school liable, he ruled.

The appeals court disagreed. When a school district is deliberately indifferent to its students' "right to a learning environment free of racial hostility and discrimination, it is liable for damages" under federal civil rights law, the

"It is simply not the role of courts to serve as literary censors or to make judgments as to whether reading particular books does students more harm than good"

appeals court panel held in a 3-0 decision.

Once notified of the problem, a school district has a legal duty to take reasonable steps to eliminate a racially hostile environment, Judge Stephen Reinhardt wrote for the court.

"A school where this sort of conduct occurs unchecked," Reinhardt wrote, referring to the racial slurs and graffiti Monteiro had complained of, "is utterly failing in its mandate to provide a nondiscriminatory educational environment."

He was joined by Judges Dorothy W. Nelson and Robert Boochever. All three were appointed by President

Carter and are among the more liberal members of the 28-judge appellate court.

It remains unclear how much additional legal jeopardy the court's ruling may create for school districts.

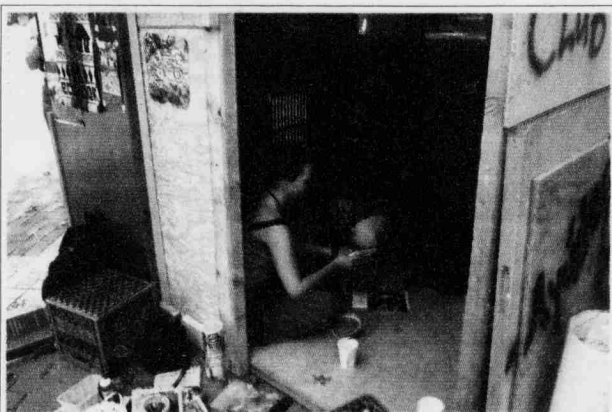
While opening the door for suits against schools, the court declined to step into the controversy over texts. "It is simply not the role of courts to serve as literary censors or to make judgments as to whether reading particular books does students more harm than good," the judges said. "Books can hurt and ... words can hurt—particularly racist epithets," but banning a book is not a proper solution, the judges said.

Critics have praised "Huckleberry Finn," Twain's 1885 tale of the friendship between a runaway black slave and a white teenage boy, as a satirical indictment of racism in pre-Civil War America. But in recent years, parents throughout the United States, particularly African Americans, have attempted to convince school officials to remove the book from classes or libraries on the grounds that it is demeaning to them and has a negative effect on the self-esteem of young blacks.

Monteiro's lawyer, Stephen G. Montoya, alleged that his client's daughter and a black male student—the only two African-Americans in the freshman honors English class of 25—suffered psychological injuries and lost educational opportunities because they were required to read Twain's book and Faulkner's 1924 story about life in Mississippi.

The judges acknowledged that

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Angela Greene and Steve Robertson "shack out" in the Brickyard for Habitat for Humanity.

Shackin' up for a cause

◆ Students are living in wood shacks in the Brickyard this week to help raise money for Habitat for Humanity.

BRANDI CHARLWORTH
Staff Writer

This week, students are packing up their sleeping bags and heading to the Brickyard to camp out.

Shack-a-thon, organized by the N.C. State Habitat for Humanity Club, is boasting its largest village since the NCSU chapter was organized in the late '80s. The village is set up in the Brickyard for devoted volunteers to raise money to build homes for needy families.

There are five organizations, including the Habitat club, participating in the fundraiser. The Spanish Club, Parks

Scholars, Inter-Residence Council and Wolf-Aides all have a shack built in the Brickyard to raise money for this cause. Every penny raised by each club goes to the NCSU Habitat for Humanity Club. Most of the money is raised through donations on campus and also through sponsorships.

"If every student gives two dollars, we will have enough to build a house," said Jason Hedrick, one of the Works Project chairs.

However, realizing it won't come that easy, Hedrick said the goal of the club is to have the money within five years. Shack-a-thon consists of students who volunteer, at least an hour, to sit in the shack and accept donations.

"Most of the volunteers stay two to three hours during the

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bery.

"This 450 acres is not free from crime," Mann said. "It is not an absolutely safe place to be. It is a relatively safe place to be."

Additional anxieties about safety included long walks to parking areas and across campus, no Public Safety presence on Hillsborough St. and stalkers at D.H. Hill Library.

There were a wide array of suggestions from the audience: panic buttons, disposable cameras to be given out at the library, more publicity for escort service, more personal defense courses and electronic card swiping to enter buildings or restrooms. According to Harriette Griffin, chair of the Council on the Status of Women, comments and suggestions

were recorded and will be sent to Provost Phillip Stiles and passed on to the necessary administrators. Committees have been arranged and are in the process of working out some of these details, Mann said.

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox addressed the problems raised at the Speak Out.

"It is disheartening that these are the same issues I would have addressed starting my career 23 years ago," she said.

Numerous State Personal Act (subject to the state personnel act) female faculty and staff members noted discrimination regarding pay, positions, tenure, promotions, behavior and respect for women. One African-American female staff member reported that "promotions and upgrades are often based on race or who you know." Another faculty member remarked on the "expectation to assimilate into the majority," and that after 17 years of experience, she is "often treated as a servant."

"I should be empowered to do my job...whether I'm a Dr. or a Ms...I have contributions to make," said another anonymous writer "voice."

One student spoke, expressing her feeling that women are treated as "second-class students." According to Maggie O'Connor, teachers almost invariably take the males' questions over the females' questions, even if the female was first in line. She told of making a formal complaint of sex discrimination against a faculty member, who was later appointed "Teacher of the Year."

Many raised questions about NCSU's Sexual Harassment Policy. There are now 19 Sexual Harassment Resolution Officers standing by to answer questions or respond to concerns from students and faculty.

Also, the Women's Center, which just relocated to the Talley Student Center, is working towards innovative ways to address career, school and family issues.

participating for the first time this year. In combination with the Tri-Towers residence halls on campus, the council was challenged to get involved.

"I spent most of Sunday building this thing, so spending the night is just way too long for me," said Eric Fox, a volunteer. "It's just too bad there isn't carpet," Fox added.

"On the last day of the fundraiser, 'Demolition Day,' wood from the shacks will be freely available in the Brickyard. Tony Betts, president of the Habitat club, invited students to come out and make a donation in order to take a shack at the shack."

The Shack-a-thon lasts until this Friday.

Hemingway or Freud, and male students for the writings of Andrea Dworkin or Margaret Atwood."

Reinhardt suggested that students also may benefit from reading books that offend. "A necessary component of any education is learning to think critically about offensive ideas — without that ability one can do little to respond to them," he wrote, noting that it also is "important for young people... discover both the good and the bad in our history."

Safety and Debnam, claiming Debnam had a history of sexual misconduct. The lawsuit contended that Debnam had repeatedly used his position of authority to sexually harass women, and NCSU hired him knowing this history.

There has not been a court date set for the civil trial.

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"killer week."

Cynthia Matson from the Parks Scholar shack, said she was shacking' because "it is for a good cause."

"It is our chance to give something back," she said.

Leah Roberts, president of the Spanish Club added: "It is nice to help to house children and families who don't have a home."

Wolf-Aides, a new freshman organization that helps with student government, is participating in the Shack-a-thon for the first time. Rachel Overcash, a member of the club, said she is serving her time simply to be involved and support a worthy cause.

The Inter-Residence Council is also

day," said Hedrick.

Then the night shift comes in and volunteers from each club are there for the night to sleep on the ground, rain or shine.

The first night, Mon., Oct. 19, the volunteers enjoyed pizzas donated by Papa John's and played games. Leslie Vlasovich, the outreach coordinator for the Habitat club, welcomed everyone and was looking forward to a

lawsuits, the judges wrote.

"While plaintiffs could seek to remove books by Toni Morrison, Maya Angelou and other prominent black authors on the ground that they portray Caucasians in a derogatory fashion; Jews might try to impose civil liability for the teaching of Shakespeare and of more modern English poets where writings exhibit a similar anti-Semitic strain. Female students could attempt to make a case for damages for the assignment of the works of Tennessee Williams,

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ous messages." But, they concluded, for a court to ban the book would violate the First Amendment rights of other students.

A contrary ruling might make "an extremely wide — if not unlimited — range of literary products" grounds for

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State student testified that during a traffic stop, Debnam, then a Public Safety officer, forced her to partially undress and fondle herself. She claimed that Debnam thought she had

drugs hidden and also testified that Debnam encouraged her to urinate prior to a sobriety test. Debnam admitted the former student undressed but said that she did it voluntarily.

Following the incident and an investigation by Public Safety, Debnam was fired from the force, while the student left NCSU citing emotional distress.

The former student has also filed a civil lawsuit against NCSU, Public

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A fairy tale.....

Inside the fair

◆ There's a little something for everyone at the state fair.

CARL KERCHMAR
Staff Writer

The fair has come a long way since its debut in 1853 on a 16-acre tract about 10 blocks east of the Capitol. Back then, the fair was organized by the State Agricultural Society and showcased a cattle show and an exhibition of domestic manufactures. It was planned to offer premiums to those farmers who were innovative with better farming practices and to spread constructive agricultural information.

In 1873 the fair moved to a 55-acre spot where the Raleigh Little Theater now stands. In 1928, with joint support between the society and the City of Raleigh, the fair moved to its current 200-acre location managed by Dr. J.S. Dorton.

The first fairs focused on agricultural expositions. Later, political speech-making marked by appearances from Theodore Roosevelt and William Jennings Bryan also became popular at the fair until reaching its current proportions and magnitude.

Today, the fair incorporates fun, food, freaks and technology, in addition to agricultural expositions. A 135-year existence has made the fair an entertaining and informative experience.

Let's take a look at the inside with the people who are part of this annual extravaganza. First off, nighttime at the fair is rowdy and full of energy. But how often does the fair staff have to deal with aggressive personalities and, even though alcohol isn't served, how are the intoxicated fairgoers treated?

If they can get by the 94 state troopers working on fairgrounds, they still have to look composed when waiting in line for some of the more stomach-wrenching rides. An assistant on the fair ride "Top Spin" tells that the staff has to pay close attention to everyone getting on the ride. "You've got to kinda weed people out of the line," but admits that a couple of throw-ups happen at every fair. And this doesn't mean that nondrinkers don't stand the chance of getting a little woozy from this ride.

Nighttime at the fair is definitely a party and can be a headache for the people working. A game vendor from Delaware at the classic throw-the-baseball-at-the-three-pins game explained, with a laugh and a sigh, "I have to deal with a lot of assholes every night — gotta stay sharp. Assholes try to steal stuffed animals and this one guy tried to run off with



A crowd observes a ride in motion at the fair, patiently waiting their turn to step on and lift off.

the actual baseballs." A successful heist rarely happens — vendors in the area watch each other's backs and sometimes communicate by radio.

But who are these vendors anyway, and how do you get into the fair industry? Surprisingly, the vast majority of game vendors and ride staff are from the New England states. They travel through the East Coast, going from fair to fair. Most of them agree that the N.C. fair is one of, if not the, best fair and are excited to be here, although it is possible to spot an irritated fair worker.

For example, you can see tense faces on the ride staffers operating the kiddie rides who have to listen to the same kid songs all day from "The Chipmunks." Lucky for them there is shift rotations.

One vendor from upstate New York is burned out from fairs after eight years and said, "The fair doesn't do it for me anymore, but it's cool to get out of my city and see new places." Many other vendors have the same perspective, and that offers a motivation for those who subject themselves as freaks, like the snake woman and gorilla guy. For many traveling-fair workers, the fair is a fun job/party way to get out of town.

The N.C. State Fair has so much more than gut-wrenching rides and out-of-town street vendors. This is

Why people love working the fair

◆ Fair workers explain their love of fair work.

MARYBETH LEFABRE
Staff Writer

On a walk through the N.C. State Fair, you can expect certain constants each year. From the smells of funnel cakes, barbecue and the livestock exhibit to the sounds of distant screams and music from rides to the sights of game booths, Ferris wheels and abnormal ani-

mals. You can also count on meeting the people that make all of this possible — the fair workers.

James E. Strate Shows, Inc., originating from Orlando, Fla., manages the fair. Each year, from May to November, about 1500 employees of Strate Shows and various concession companies come together to travel up the East Coast to New Jersey and back. According to George Weston, general manager of Strate Shows, "These shows are one of the 10 existing carnival shows of this magnitude in the

United States." Weston also noted that Strate Shows are the only railway carnivals left in North America. Stops range from state fairs, such as in Raleigh, to large county fairs in smaller towns.

So what is life like on the road? According to carousel operator Jim Teftealf, "The best part is riding on the train and meeting people from all over." Workers like Teftealf work from 8 a.m. to midnight each night and sleep on one of the 60 railway cars. Employees can also ride in bunkhouses or travel trailers.

One concession employee, Caroline Tomazi of Missouri, says the freedom, excitement and the management of the fair is what keeps her employed. "I can lead a carefree life on the road, travel with my daughter and have rent as my only bill," says Tomazi. The only drawback, she feels, is the long hours and time away from her young daughter, who stays in fair day care.

For each city the carnival shows travel to, Weston said the stay is usually around two weeks. Strate Shows allow about three to four days to set up the fair and about 16 hours to disassemble rides, with



A state fair employee looks on as a ride whizzes by.

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Fellows applications due

◆ Fellows Program is a unique opportunity for freshmen.

Extra Staff Report

For many freshmen, college can be a big change from high school. There are new people to meet, dorm life to adapt to and so many more things to keep up with. It can be hard to feel involved, what with all of the hustle and bustle of simply going to class and getting that calculus homework done.

The N.C. State Fellows Program provides the opportunity for freshmen to be active in a campus organization and to develop their leadership skills. Since its development, the program has offered students countless opportunities for growth through such features as alumni mentoring programs, special guest speakers and even Outward Bound trips. The program enables its participants to learn through actual experiences and interaction with today's leaders of business and industry.

Any interested freshman may submit an application to the Fellows Program. Applicants are selected on the basis of four key traits: proven scholastic ability, high motivation, demonstrated leadership and a strong commitment to the concept of personal and leadership development.

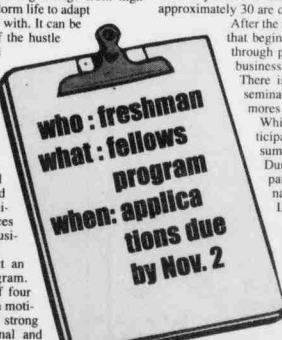
Fellows candidates undergo an initial screening based on a program application and an initial campus interview. Semifinalist interviews are conducted by current Fellows and university faculty. Approximately 80 students are selected as finalists for interviews by Fellows alumni and community leaders. Each year, approximately 30 are chosen from those who apply.

After the selection procedure, Fellows start a process that begins with the freshman retreat and continues through participation in leadership workshops with business, government and professional leaders. There is even a specifically designed leadership seminar course offered in the spring for sophomores in the program.

While involved with the program, Fellows participate in challenging experiences such as summer internships, travel or study abroad. During their senior year, Fellows can participate in a mini-program provided by the nationally recognized Center for Creative Leadership.

Applications for the program are now available and the Fellows Program will be sponsoring information booths about the program at Fountain Dining Hall on Oct. 26 and at the Student Center on Oct. 27.

The applications are available until Oct. 31 and are due Nov. 2 at 5 p.m. They can be dropped off at 2120 Pullen Hall or mailed to N.C. State Fellows Program, Box 7316, NCSU, Raleigh, NC 27695.



Chef Tam

Hey, boys and girls. It's time for another vegetarian installment for National Vegetarian Awareness Month. This week, we'll make some tasty entrees.

Pasta primavera — serves four
2 Tbs. butter
1 each onion — peeled and finely chopped
1/2 lb. Carrots — peeled and diced
1/2 lb. zucchini or yellow squash — sliced
1/2 lb. fresh snow peas
3/4 lb. favorite thin pasta
2 Tbs. chopped mint
To taste, salt and pepper
1) Melt butter in a large saucepan. Add onion and cook for five minutes without browning the onions.
2) Add carrots and cook for 10 minutes. Add squash and cook an additional five minutes. Add peas and cook for two to three additional minutes.
3) Meanwhile, bring three cups of water to a boil. Add pasta and cook until pasta is slightly firm. Drain pasta and return to pan.

4) Add veggies to the pasta and mix with mint, salt and pepper. Serve hot.

Stuffed Peppers — serves six
1 each large onion — peeled and finely chopped
1/4 C olive oil
2 each cloves of garlic — crushed
2 each large tomatoes — peeled and chopped
1-1/4 C long-grain brown rice
1 tsp. dried oregano
2-1/2 C water
To taste, salt and pepper
6 each bell peppers with a good, square shape
2 tsp. chopped parsley
Extra oil for seasoning
1) Sauté onions in a medium saucepan in olive oil. Add garlic, tomatoes and rice. Cook gently for three to four minutes, while stirring, until onions are soft.
2) Add oregano, water and one teaspoon of salt. Bring to boil. Then cover tightly, reduce heat to low and simmer for 45 minutes.
3) Meanwhile, cut peppers in half lengthwise. Remove seeds. Boil in one inch of water for five minutes. Drain, then dry on paper towels.
4) Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Season rice

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the fourth year that Cyber Space has a booth showcasing top computer technologies, most of which are from IBM. It is expected that more than 70,000 people will pass through the exhibit. Technologists from RTP can be found inside volunteering their time to explain the new hard and software.

This is why the fair is so interesting for so many types of people — one can see a two-headed sheep and the latest project pursued by NASA, like the Hyper X aircraft. This craft will hold the first air-breathing engines, able to sustain mach 10 (7,200 miles/hr) and not melt from air resistance heat that reaches 3000 degrees Fahrenheit. The early plans for Hyper X still incorporates the

assistance of a rocket blasting it up to mach 10 where the engines will then sustain that speed for about 30 seconds. But a Hyper X developer at Cyber Space said, "At the pace of development today, Hyper X technology will make its way to manned flights in 10 years and shortly after will be available for commercial use."

Other exhibits also include craft work, household goods and professional and amateur artworks. If some one is interested in exhibiting in the fair, they don't have to be traveling with the New England fair industry, they just need to pick up a State Fair Premium Book at an information booth. Inside are the schedules of events, judging criteria and entry forms. In the first weekend, the fair pulled in 57,948 people Friday, 110,087 Saturday and 94,660 Sunday. Be a part of North Carolina history and add to the numbers.



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departure on the following day.

Some rides can take even less time, as Tony Cornel, a ride operator and owner of the Skymaster, said he only needs two hours to set up the ride and about the same to pack it up. Cornel is from Wisconsin and has been traveling with his ride in the fair for almost 10 years. For those who are worried about safety, Cornel recommended just "hanging on."

General Manager Weston noted that Strates Shows have "the safest safety record in the industry." Ride operators are required to do safety inspections each morning the fair is in operation.

While the fair may be a once-a-year event for many people of all ages, it is a lifetime career for some. A carnival worker leads a full day of hard labor and adequate pay. The people, travel, food and overall love of the job is what seems to pay off most for the fair workers.

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Chef

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mixture with pepper and more salt if desired. Stir in parsley. Spoon mixture into halved peppers.

5) Stand peppers in lightly oiled casserole dish. Bake for 25-30 minutes — until peppers feel tender.

Fried green tomatoes—serves four

2 C olive oil
4 each slices of eggplant — peeled
2 each artichoke hearts — halved
4 Tbs. goat cheese (feta)
6 oz. marinara/tomato sauce — hot

1/2 C mixed greens
3 Tbs. romano cheese — grated
2 Tbs. chopped parsley
Flour, 2 beaten eggs and breadcrumbs for battering

1) Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place halved artichoke hearts in oven-safe container. Place goat cheese in separate oven-safe container. Heat in oven for five minutes.

2) Heat oil on high in medium sauté pan. Dredge eggplant in flour. Dust off and coat in beaten eggs, making sure all of the eggplant slices are coated. Place slices into breadcrumbs and coat well.

3) Place eggplant slices into oil and cook until golden brown on both sides, turning once. Remove from oil and drain.

4) Remove cheese and artichoke hearts from oven. Place 1 tablespoon of cheese on each slice of eggplant. Place one halved piece of artichoke heart on top of cheese.

5) Place hot tomato sauce at bottom of plate and mixed greens at top of plate. Layer eggplant slices across the middle of the plate.

6) Garnish plate with grated cheese and chopped parsley. Serve hot.

My special thanks to Chef Mark Amatangelo of Isaac Hunter's Tavern for the fried green tomato recipe. It's delicious! Next week, we'll try some seasonal desserts. Until then, Bon appetit!

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Technician's View

Women's issues ahoy!

Some things change and some things never do. And, apparently, concerns of women on N.C. State's campus seem to fall into the latter category.

At Tuesday's Fifth Annual Speak Out, NCSU students, faculty members and senior administrators remarked on issues regarding women's rights and concerns. Among the more prevalent concerns expressed were problems with Public Safety, sexual harassment and racial discrimination.

"It is disheartening that these are the same issues I would have addressed starting my career 23 years ago," commented Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, summarizing the sentiments expressed by many of those present at the forum.

Low salaries, lack of support and inequality toward female students — all of these issues have been raised before. And all of them are valid, which makes their continuing presence all the more disconcerting.

Although supposed strides have been made in gaining equal rights for women, the very fact that the Speak Out exists is a commentary on how successful they have been. The fact that many women still feel discriminated against or unsafe on a predominantly male campus becomes readily apparent when one listens to what was said at this and previous forums. This is not to say that nothing has

been done regarding such issues. Take the panic buttons that have been installed in Winston, Caldwell and Tompkins halls, for instance, or the increased presence of Public Safety on and around the NCSU campus. Both of these are examples of measures that have resulted from women raising their collective voices about dilemmas they face on a daily basis.

But the fact remains that many concerns still exist. Female students often feel neglected by professors, whom they believe pay more attention to male classmates. Female faculty and staff members perceive discrimination regarding pay, positions, tenure and overall attitude toward women. And these problems are not new. In fact, according to our very own chancellor, they've been around college campuses for over two decades.

And so the obvious becomes, well, obvious: Women will continue to have these qualms until they feel they have been eliminated. Although forum attendees expressed gratitude toward the increased level of awareness about sexual harassment on campus and the various topics tackled by the Women's Center, these are still not enough.

Perhaps with a concerted commitment and attention to the multiple solutions suggested at the forum, a Sixth Annual Speak Out will not be necessary.

The next generation of 'fast food' might go too far

◆ "Big Macs" in vending machines aren't very tempting.

Imagine going to lunch right beside your classroom or workplace and depositing money into a vending machine to get a McDonald's Quarter-Pounder value meal. Sounds crazy, doesn't it? In the near future, vending machines with national fast-food-chain menu items might be commonplace.

Canteen Vending Services, a national leader in vending, is marketing ideas for the creation of fast-food vending machines. According to the Raleigh News & Observer, deals have already been made to stock machines with Nathan's hot dogs, Hardee's biscuits and burgers and Red Baron pizza. With these innovative vending machines of the future, a trip to the local fast food joint might not occur as often.

But there are some scary voids to think about when dealing with vending machines serving fast food. First of all, vending machines in general are temporary gateways to quench hunger, due to the typical offering of chips, cookies and other candies. So many folks could possibly have a "ho-hum" image of them, lacking for interest.

Secondly, there is nothing like a fresh meal from a fast-food joint —

especially from places like Subway and Arby's. Mike's. At least a consumer can watch his/her meal prepared right in front of his or her eyes at either of those places. With a vending machine, a customer might not have any idea how long sandwiches have been sitting in holding containers or what kinds of refrigeration systems are in place to insure that the food is good and, more importantly, safe to eat. And who knows what would happen if somebody actually got sick from eating a bad Burger King Whopper — lawsuits, counter-lawsuits, appeals and a possible cancellation of the fast-food vending-machine phenomenon.

A suitable fast-food meal takes more than a vending machine. It takes a trained team of individuals at a restaurant to prepare the perfect fast-food meal. And at least you have the option of returning to the counter and ordering something else, in case there is a problem with a meal. Being able to communicate with someone eye-to-eye gives the fast-food consumer some satisfaction.

You can't talk to a vending machine, and it won't give you another order or a refund if something is wrong with the meal.

Unless, of course, if you're willing to spend another \$3.50 on a suspect meal.

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All crimes are hate crimes

RICHARD MORGAN
Staff Columnist

I had to do it; I had to write this. So, I'm writing in reference to the recent robbery/beatings and subsequent comatose death of University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard — not to mention the huge national grieving that followed the tragedy.

I want to be clear in stating that I fully support and applaud all of the vigils and group mourning that have spread across the nation in response to this incident. I mourn for Matthew Shepard and his family. I think that the thugs who beat him should be tried and punished.

However, I also want to be clear in stating my main argument: I am deeply disturbed by the fact that the only reason anyone even knows the name Matthew Shepard is because

he was gay.

His beating and death have become seen and portrayed as a hate crime, a crime that was motivated purely out of, in this case, anti-gay sentiment.

The problem starts there because, by calling a crime a hate crime, it becomes separate — complete with a separate set of punishments. It disturbs me that people have jumped on the cause bandwagon in support of stricter punishments for such hate crimes.

First of all, the separateness of hate crimes is a myth. All crimes are hate crimes.

Before I go on, I need to address the bandwagon spin that this crime has taken. It's safe to say that, if Matthew Shepard was heterosexual, no one outside of Laramie, Wyo., would ever hear about him. There would definitely be no nationwide vigils.

Flocks of media and activist sheep have turned Shepard into their cause of the month; the outrage they express is definitely warranted, but it's also a little inflated; they've put him on the pedestal once held by Rodney King or Princess Diana. They're selling martyrdom — and selling it pretty cheap. I mean, does anyone know anything about Shepard other than that he was gay?

Apparently, no one wants to know more because it doesn't matter. Apparently, all that matters is that his death was due in part to his homosexuality. Apparently, what matters is that his attackers be punished, not just for their acts but punished further for their feelings as well.

That's the crux of this problem: the feelings issue. How is that supposed to be measured? Why should it be measured at all? For ranking? That's

the only purpose measurement serves — not to deem all things equal but to deem things less than or more than each other.

So, how does this measurement get applied to murder? Does the murder of a gay rank as more serious than the murder of a straight? What about blacks and whites? Men and women? Jews and Christians? Where does the measurement end? Even among the ubiquitous white male population, there lie the divisions of Irish and Italian, Catholic and Protestant.

Is the most horrible death the one of a member of a minority race, a minority religion, a minority nationality and a minority sexual orientation? If so, it's too bad Matthew Shepard wasn't Chinese — or, better yet, Muslim. Imagine the vigils then.

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Today's criminals are hurting for intelligence

AMANDA GUTHRIE
Staff Columnist

Crimes in Raleigh, and especially in the NCSU area, seem to be on the rise.

Aside from the obvious problems with this, the crimes are getting increasingly more outrageous and hard to believe.

Monday's paper told of a robber who attacked two students on their way from the Avent Ferry Complex on Oct. 15. The assailant held the victims at gunpoint and told them to throw their wallets on the ground. He then patting them down and asked

them where their wallets were, all the while concealing his face with a white sweatshirt.

I'm willing to concede there's a great deal of stress associated with robbing someone, but was this particular criminal really serious? Is it just me or is there a whole new breed of dumb criminals here at NCSU? I realize that crime, by its nature, is pretty stupid, but the criminals lately have really outdone themselves.

While the Oct. 15 robber had the essential elements of a gun and a lookout, he lacked what seems to be an essential characteristic of criminals — common sense.

It seems that criminals these days pale in comparison to the stories we've all heard of cowboys and mobsters in our own country's history. I bet Wyatt Earp and Al Capone never did silly things like forget where their victims put their wallets. I also bet they never walked around with dumb things like sweatshirts on their heads.

While the world would be a much nicer place if crime didn't happen at all, I think that all criminals should at least think before they act. It appears that the authorities have been doing a decent job of locating

and arresting the most recent criminals, but that doesn't seem to be enough to stop more crimes from occurring.

When will these criminals finally give up?

With three robberies in the last month and a half and the string of indecent exposures in D.H. Hill, I think it's time for the local criminals to take a break and evaluate their skills. I think they'd be better off working at Burger King than they are assaulting innocent college kids with really dumb crimes.

They would probably also make more money.

A few concerns from the South's biggest comrade

CHAD MESSER
Staff Columnist

This is to be my coup de gras, (French for Cup of Grass) article of the week. It's my only one, but let's not split hairs here. It will be a mixture of two separate opinions, completely unrelated. Just think of me as your private cart of Neopolitan ice cream this week. First, the vanilla.

I have about reached my last nerve with people who use the term "redneck" in a derogatory manner in mass media, including this paper. As I stated in a past column, I am packing heat, and I will fire when provoked.

I guess my anger comes from the fact that white people are the only people on the planet that it is still OK to make racial fun of. While African Americans, Asian Americans, Fuquay-Varinans and Lemon-Fresh Americans justifiably get mad when a derogatory joke is made at their expense, white people, oh, I'm sorry, Scotch-Irish-British-

French Americans, just laugh and say "that was hilarious" after being put down. No more.

Words like "redneck" and "white trash" belong in the same garbage pail as other racial slurs.

From now on, every time someone says "redneck" in a bad way in my presence, I am going to thumb them in the eyes. My family is full of authentic rednecks. Some of my best friends are rednecks. I am a redneck. And any of y'all who ain't down with that, I've got just two words for you. I'm pretty sure that I can't say them here, so feel free to ask your neighbor for the answer.

Now for the chocolate. All of those who are sick and tired of the N.C. State Fair, raise your hands right now, unless you are in class, in which case you should never raise your hand at all. After having been a student here at State for four years, I can honestly say that the person who envisioned putting the fair at the corner of Hillsborough St. and Blue Ridge Road all those years ago is a waste of sperm and egg. OK, maybe that's a little harsh. At

the very least, he is a complete nitwit. I don't know if all of my loyal readers have been involved in the traffic soap opera down in that section of this hell-spawned town, but if you have, I'm sorry.

People who live on Trinity Road, like I do, might as well crank open the rations from the bomb shelter, because we can't get out. We are being held hostage by state troopers, fairgoers and the fact that the Blue Ridge Park and Ride bus is forced to be hours behind schedule.

I hear all of you out there saying, "That sounds like a problem, Chad. Please give me your opinion on how to alleviate said congestion," and I appreciate the fact that you are using your thesaurus in constructive ways. Anyway, here's the answer.

One word: Fair-A-Palooza. That's right, Fair-A-Palooza. Every town in North Carolina should have the

fair come to them, instead of having it annually in Raleigh. That way, if it moves to a new county every year, Raleigh will be safe from this useless traffic for, say, the next 100

years. See, my plan works.

Just imagine the state fair in Murphy, North America's leading pop producer. Put it in Andrews, and maybe Eric Robert Rudolph will come out of hiding for the hootman-y. Place it in Fuquay-Varina, just because I love saying Fuquay-Varina.

Year after year, the fair will be someone else's problem, and just think of the party we could throw with 100 years' notice. The 2098 state fair might be the best ever!!!

Anyway, that's just one solution. They could just charge a million dollars to park your car within a three-mile radius of the fairgrounds. Maybe someone needs my parking space. I take Discover, American Express, Visa, Cash and Check. Just let me know. Until then, I have some Spanish to do.

Chad really wishes he could be Justin Wilson or any other southern icon. Do you have a beef with our "Jesse Helms wannabe"? E-mail Chad at cmesser@unity.ncsu.edu.

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I think that Shephard's murder should be avenged under the law—but averaged no more and no less than the hundreds of other, less-publicized murders that happened that same day.

What must be understood is that laws designed to help some hurt all. The moment that a crime as basic and universal as premeditated murder becomes filtered and stratified and segregated into upper-classes and lower-classes, the moment that the equality of crime and punishment becomes tilted with the weight of fleeting interests, then all are hurt.

Is Matthew Shephard's death tragic? Yes.
Should his death be avenged under the law? Yes.

Is his death more or less important than the death of anyone else? No.

This argument has nothing to do with whether or not I support homosexuality. This argument does, however, have everything to do with the fact that I absolutely do not value any one human life over another. It's as simple as that.

With his body now buried, let us now also bury the lie that Shephard's death is somehow more worthy of being mourned than any other death. Let us bury the chic circus that the mourning has become. It is time for Shephard's sheep to think about what they value and what they want this tragedy to mean.



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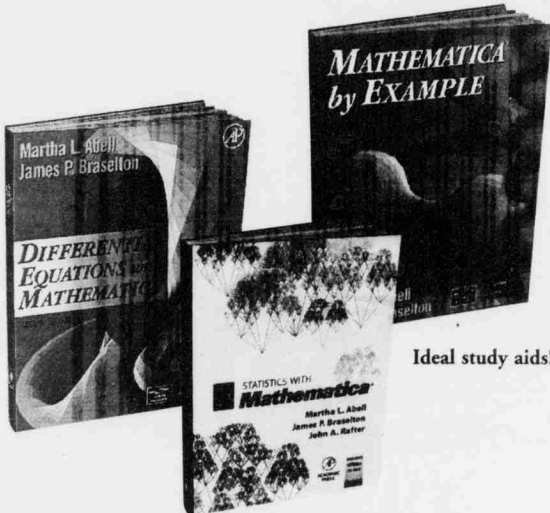
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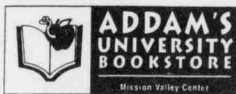


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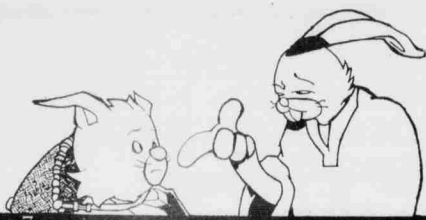
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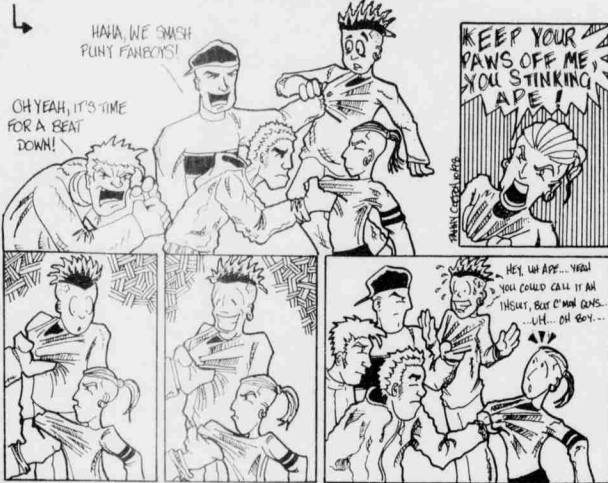


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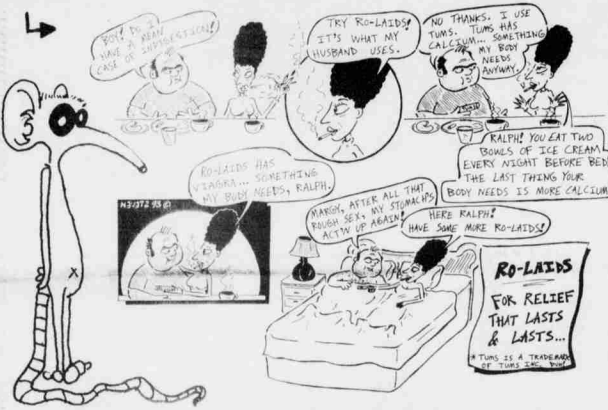


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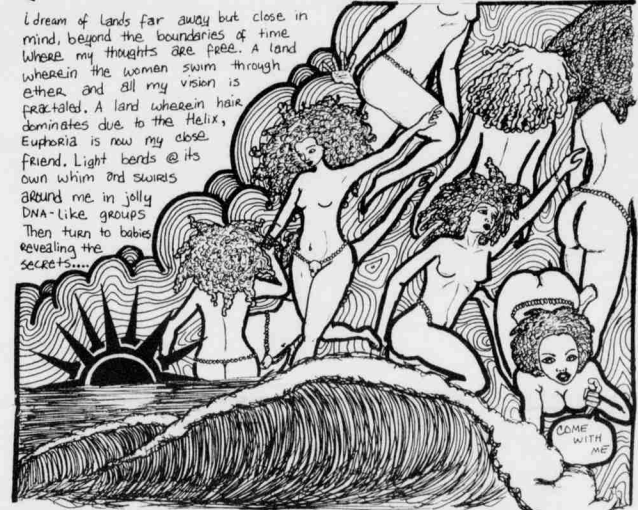
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It can be a solo job requiring just a few minutes of your time and only one tool—a hand mirror. Or, you can enlist the help of a friend for those hard-to-see areas. The end result may just save your life.

The American Academy of Dermatology believes self-examination is so important, it has designated the first "Monday in May as 'Melanoma Monday.'" On this Melanoma Monday, celebrated this year on May 5, you should begin a life-long habit of regularly examining your skin for any suspicious marks or spots. Take a few minutes to help out someone you care about as well.

By giving yourself a personal inspection regularly, you can spot potential trouble at the best possible time, in the earliest stage. That's important because most skin cancers, including malignant melanoma, the most dangerous kind, can be cured if caught in time.

Almost one million new cases of skin cancer are diagnosed each year. Of that total, 40,300 will be malignant melanomas, up 12% from the year before. This year alone, about 7,300 deaths will be attributed to malignant melanoma, about one every hour. In half that time, you could do a thorough self-examination and help a friend too.

Who's at risk for melanoma? People with these characteristics have the highest risk for melanoma:

- Fair complexion that burn or blister easily
- Blonde or red hair
- Blue, green or gray eyes
- Excessive sun exposure during childhood and teen years and blistering sunburns before age 20
- A family history of melanoma
- More than 100 moles on your body; 50 if you are under age 20

Self-examination is simple and painless. Look over your entire body, including your scalp, soles of your feet, between your toes, and the palms of your hands. You'll need a mirror to visualize some of those areas.

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Practice frequent self-examinations. Remember! Prompt surgical excision of an early melanoma offers an excellent chance of a total cure. If you have any doubt about a mole, see a dermatologist.

Self-Examination for Melanoma



1 Examine your body front and back in the mirror, then right and left sides arms raised. 2 Bend elbows and look carefully at forearms and upper arms and spaces between arms and palms. 3 Look at the back of the legs and feet—spaces between toes, and sole. 4 Examine backs of neck and scalp with a hand mirror. Part hair for a closer look. 5 Finally, check back and buttocks with hand mirror.



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among the ACC schools in the pre-season polls at No. 5.

Clemson has also spent time at the top of the polls, and Virginia has been as high as fourth.

All five of these teams still have legitimate hopes at making a run at both the ACC Championship, but more importantly the National Championship.

"It seems like every year the ACC is the strongest conference in the nation," State goalkeeper Eric Handley said. "Every year it's a battle for first and you never really know where you will end up until the last game is played."

Only two schools have not been nationally ranked this year. UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State sit at sixth and seventh in the conference, respectively. The Wolfpack is in the midst of an uncharacteristic losing season while the Tar Heels are still above .500. But you don't have to look too far in the past to find either team in the polls. State was ranked as high as No. 4 last season after picking up three straight conference wins early in the season.

Don't count either team out of the post-season, though.

"It really doesn't matter how well you do right now," Handley said. "As long as you show up to play at the ACC Tournament you can go on from there."

The NCAA will be hard-pressed to take less than five teams from the conference, a pretty impressive total considering the Tournament only takes 32 teams.

In 1997, only two teams made the tournament: Clemson, Virginia and UVA made it to the final game before losing to UCLA. In 1995, Duke finished as the NCAA runner-up.

"It's so competitive," Handley went on to say. "From us to Maryland and Virginia and Duke there is so much competition and so much prestige. It's the best conference there is."

This year's ACC Tournament, to be held in Winston-Salem, should be up for grabs. At the end of the season, however, expect to see at least one ACC team making a serious run at the national title.

UNC-Chapel Hill and Virginia, the N.C. State squad won the championship in early October, defeating the team from Richmond, Va., 144-102.

The men's volleyball club took first place in an eight-team tournament at Appalachian State University earlier this month. N.C. State defeated UNC-Charlotte, 15-12, 14-16, 15-10 in the final. The men's team will be competing again next month at either East Carolina or James Madison and has its sights set on the national tournament in April.

Technician will be running a club sports report every other week. Club members interested in publishing results, scores and statistics should e-mail Kim at kim@smc.uscncsu.edu or call at 515-2411.

team last Friday.

Athletic department officials and UA coaches have refused to comment on the specifics relating to Harris' dismissal, instead citing an unspecified "failure to meet team obligations" in an official release from the UA sports information office.

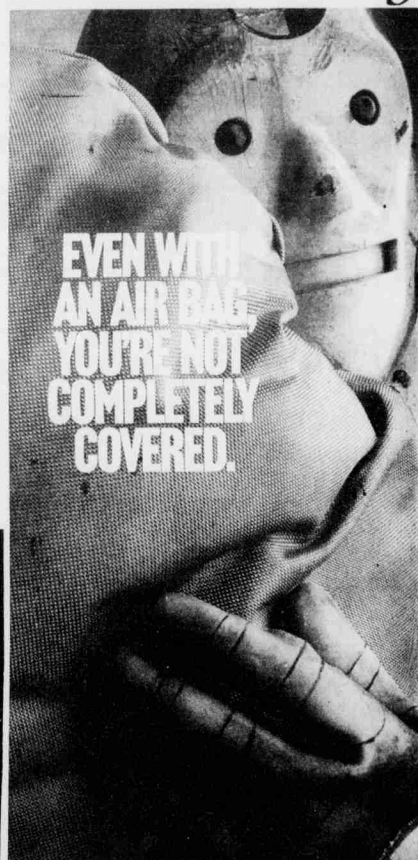
It was unknown whether Harris' dismissal had anything to do with his arrest Aug. 27 that stemmed from two outstanding warrants in Casa Grande.

Harris said after the arrest that the warrants, for speeding and possession of marijuana, had been erroneously issued and everything would be taken care of before the season.

It was built in 1984. Method has never seen a Wolfpack team with a losing record. State is currently 4-5 at home with only two home games remaining.

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COMMENTARY



K. Gaffney

Opportunities about

N.C. State is recognized as one of the country's top jock schools, and it's not just because of our football and basketball teams.

Club and intramural sports have been a major part of the N.C. State athletic scene since the programs' inception in 1924, when the university was known as North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering.

The greatest part of club sports is that you don't have to be Laura Kimbrell or Abdul Alzindani to succeed in intercollegiate athletics for the university.

N.C. State currently offers 42 active club sports, including rodeo, field hockey, sailing, lacrosse and water skiing.

Some of the sports, such as ultimate, rugby and soccer not only have local and regional competitions but compete nationally and have developed national pools for the individual sports.

The Flag Football National Championships, held in New Orleans, La., has become one of the most widely recognized sporting events in the country.

This past summer, a small university in Pennsylvania added seven sports to its varsity roster on the same day. Including men's and women's crew, squash and tennis, the move was a reflection of a trend that has been sweeping the nation in the past few years.

Club sports have been earning recognition on the national level from California to New York. Recently, club sports have been trading in their second-rate citizen status to play with the varsity big wigs.

Cornell University, one of the pioneers in club and recreational sports, has 34 varsity-level athletic teams. Included in the Big Red's roster are men's and women's polo, crew and ice hockey teams and women's equestrian and softball programs.

In the past two seasons, the women's crew teams at UNC-Chapel Hill and Duke have earned varsity affiliation.

State's own crew team looks to be following in the Blue Devils' and the Tar Heels' footsteps not too far down the road, becoming the seventh school in the Atlantic Coast Conference to add the sport.

But the goal of club teams across the nation and the campus isn't just to earn varsity status, many teams and individual athletes have found success on the club level.

The men's ultimate team has earned recognition nationally, and the Wolfpack water-ski team has placed well in regional competitions.

So far this fall, N.C. State's Rugby team has notched wins over Virginia Tech, Camp Lejeune, Davidson and Western Carolina.

The cricket club qualified as the No. 1 seed in the Mid Atlantic Cricket Conference. Fighting against 13 other teams, including

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UNC-W next victim for Pack

◆ Men's soccer looks to rebound against UNC-Wilmington after another ACC loss.

TIM HUNTER
Assistant Sports Editor

After a 5-0 loss to Duke on Sunday, dropping the team to 0-5 in the ACC, most teams would get down on themselves.

Not the case with the N.C. State men's soccer team.

Confidence is high as usual for the Wolfpack, who are still trying to salvage an uncharacteristic losing season. "Our spirits are up," sophomore Shaker Asad said. "We've had a tough year but we have nothing to lose now. Our pride is on the line."

State's will put its pride on the field today, taking on the UNC-Wilmington Seahawks.

Despite a two-game losing streak, the Seahawks bring a 9-5 record into Method Road Soccer Stadium. UNC-W senior Derek Ford, who teamed with State sophomore Shaker Asad at nearby Athens Drive High, leads the Seahawks in points.

"It's going to be interesting," Asad said of playing against his former teammate. "We have a little competition going between us, and he is having a pretty good year."

The two teamed together to win the 1994 4-A State Title while at Athens, a game that was played at Method Road.

Ford has scored eight goals and assisted on six others, which is more than any Wolfpack player can lay claim to. The highest scorer for the Pack, Sebastian Rodriguez, leads the team with five goals. Two other players are tied for the team high with two goals.

The Pack will need more offensive power to combat the Seahawks. UNC-W is averaging over two goals per game while State has managed just 12 goals in 13 games.

"It's one of the biggest games," goalkeeper Eric Handley said of today's game. "We need to start off with a win there and continue doing well for the rest of the season."

However, the Pack remains confident and positive about the rest of the season. After a team meeting, the squad seems more focused on winning.

"We talked about how we are going to finish up the season well," Handley said. "It's not over until the last game. We just want to go on from here with a good attitude and finish up strong."

State also has a streak to uphold. Since

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Shaker Asad (above) and the N.C. State soccer team look to pick up another win Wednesday against UNC-Wilmington. The meeting will pair Asad and Derek Ford, former teammates at Athens Drive High School.

ACC rules in men's soccer

◆ The ACC can't be beat when it comes to men's soccer.

TIM HUNTER
Assistant Sports Editor

When most people think of the Atlantic Coast Conference, they think of basketball.

And there is good reason for that. Year in and year out, the ACC produces several national title contenders and is strong from top to bottom.

However, the 1998 season has seen the ACC become more dominant in another sport: men's soccer.

Consider the following: The fourth-place team in the conference (Clemson) is fifth nationally in the most recent Soccer America



The Atlantic Coast Conference continues to be one of the toughest soccer conferences in the nation.

poll.

"I don't think this year is any different," Wolfpack Assistant Coach Matthias Berrang said. "It (the ACC) has been this way since I

teams that are ranked have both accomplished a worthy feat of their own this year.

Both Wake Forest, ranked 16th, and Maryland, not far behind at 17th, have defeated the No. 1 team in the nation this fall. The Demon Deacons surprised then-No. 1-ranked Washington Huskies earlier this year and the Terrapins shocked the conference with a win over then-No. 1 Duke.

"Top to bottom, the conference is very competitive," Berrang said. "In past years there were only one or two teams that were good, but now you have five or six that are very close in the level of competition."

Maryland was one of the most highly regarded teams heading into the season, ranked highest

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Volleyball looks to shake slump

◆ N.C. State readies for Campbell on Wednesday.

CHRIS BOSKEN
Staff Writer

Amidst a tumultuous Atlantic Coast Conference schedule, the N.C. State Volleyball team strives to recover from an eight game tailspin. Since last beating Campbell at the Liberty University Tournament, the Wolfpack has yet to tack on another notch in the win column.

The Pack's 10-2 record before entering conference play had many wondering if this young squad could finish well in the

conference, but that simply hasn't been the case.

A significant factor in the Pack's ACC woes has been their inability to muster a decent blocking game. Currently, State ranks ninth in the conference in average blocks per game, barely above two.

Against Duke last weekend, State saw some light at the end of the tunnel, collecting three consecutive blocks from Stephanie Stambaugh and Charcee Williams on one play, and another three-block play from Stambaugh later in the match.

One bright spot in the pack's dreary ACC season thus far has been senior co-captain Laura

Kimbrell. The conference leader in kills per game, Kimbrell currently averages 5.08 a game. Earlier this season Kimbrell eclipsed former N.C. State kills leader Volie Tisdale to become the Wolfpack's career kills leader.

Freshman Erin Vesev and sophomore standout Stambaugh have also shown some talent on the young squad. Currently the team assist leader, Vesev ranks sixth in the conference overall. Clearly the Pack has some talented players on board this season, but they have yet to pull together cohesive match winning play.

Since their loss to Wake Forest last Saturday evening, the team has had several days to reeval-

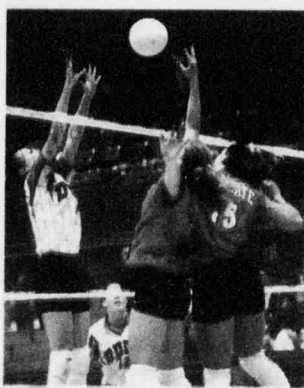
ate their position. While a conference championship is out of the question, the team still has much to salvage for the remainder of the season.

With more quality minutes from freshman Vesev and continued leadership from captains Kimbrell and Kaitlin Robinson, the squad can only stand to improve.

The Wolfpack's first meeting against Campbell resulted in a hard fought victory in five games. Since that win to secure the Liberty Tournament Championship State has only netted two games in their favor over a span of eight matches.

Tonight, the Pack has a chance to get back on track and return to a winning record.

After Campbell the Wolfpack will travel to Virginia and Maryland for consecutive road games this weekend before returning to Reynolds.



N.C. State looks to move back above .500 on Wednesday, playing Campbell.

Four score for Pack

◆ Team effort lifts State past Furman.

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State's women's soccer team picked up its second in a week, defeating Furman, 4-0 at Method Road Soccer Stadium on Tuesday afternoon.

The Wolfpack got goals from four different players, with senior Lisa Boggs starting the scoring off at the 8:14 mark, knocking in a pass from sophomore Shannon Tulley.

Shannon Blair assisted freshman Kris Phillips later in the half to put the Pack up, 2-0.

In the second half, Tulley and Phillips teamed up to assist Barb Lavergne.

Jennifer Marsh found the net with just under 10 minutes left in the game to put the score at 4-0.

Sara Marino had four saves for the Pack. Tuesday's win was the first shutout of the year for N.C. State.

In the last six games, N.C. State has outscored its opponents, 20-14. State takes its 6-9 record up against two ACC opponents this weekend, the second-to-last weekend of play for State before the conference post-season tournament.

NATIONAL NOTES

◆ News and notes from around the country.

Sports Staff Report

Harvard player back after life-threatening infection
CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Harvard senior Brynne Zuccaro has defied the medical world by coming back to play for the women's soccer team.

Zuccaro was in the hospital four months ago when she found out she had been infected with a life-threatening bacterial infection after having an amorphous sliver removed from her ankle.

The infection, often referred to as "the flesh-eating bacteria," releases toxins that eat away at muscle and fat tissue in the infected area and

beyond. An estimated 500-1,500 people contract the infection annually in America, with 20 percent of those patients eventually losing their lives.

Zuccaro began physical therapy at the beginning of August and miraculously joined the team at the end of the month after several weeks of rehabilitation over the summer.

MSU's Campbell suffers neck injury

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Michigan State cornerback Amp Campbell is adjusting to life without football after suffering a frightening neck injury.

Five weeks ago, a neck injury could have ended Campbell's football career. The senior still wears a neck brace, which goes

down to his stomach. The injury has restricted many of the everyday things he used to do, such as driving and going to class.

Campbell will wear his current neck brace for two more months. Then, he will put on a lighter, more flexible brace for four months. After a year, doctors expect a full recovery. Campbell could return for another season of football at MSU if all goes well.

Florida's Fotopoulos breaks NCAA scoring mark

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — University of Florida forward Danielle Fotopoulos could not believe her header in the 45th minute against Mississippi that set the NCAA record for goals scored actually went in. The goal broke a three-way tie with

Tiffany Milbrett and former UNC-Chapel Hill All-American Mia Hamm at 103. She went on to score two more goals and pick up two assists in a 9-1 victory on Sunday in front of 1,014 at Percy Beard Stadium.

Fotopoulos was awarded the ball as play was stopped briefly to recognize the achievement.

Fotopoulos played the entire game, scoring in the 51st minute and 53rd minute for her third hat trick of the season.

Harris released from Arizona hoops team

TUCSON, Ariz. — After three years of men's basketball reserve duty, University of Arizona center Donnell Harris was permanently kicked off the

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