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The new sports arena, depicted in this projected view, is still without a name at this point in time.

## What's in a name?

◆ The Carolina Hurricanes say there is currently no buyer for the naming rights of the new sports arena, and thus no plans to buy NCSU out.

**JACK DOLY**  
News Editor

The Carolina Hurricanes have no plans to acquire the naming rights to the new sports arena from N.C. State at this time.

Sims Hinds, vice president of arena management for the Hurricanes, said that as of right now, there is no potential buyer for the naming rights.

"If there's not a buyer, there's no one to buy out," Hinds said. "The key is there has to be a buyer."

Hinds said that if a buyer steps forth, the Hurricanes will have discussions with NCSU, the current owners of the naming rights.

"If there were [a buyer], mechanisms would fall into place on how the university would be compensated," said Hinds.

Lucrative packages that corporations pay for naming rights, such as the \$150 million paid for the new Atlanta arena, or the \$50 million that was paid for the new Spectrum in Philadelphia, include more than rights to name the building, according to Hinds.

"Only a small portion is related to the naming of

the arena," Hinds said.

Instead, Hinds said the company receives many different benefits. If it were a soft drink company, then the company would receive exclusive rights within the building, or if it were a bank or an airline, then the team would use the company for all of its banking or aviation needs. Also, the company would have its logo affiliated with the team and would potentially receive concourse naming rights.

Les Robinson, athletics director of NCSU, said that as of right now, NCSU controls the naming rights and plans to hold on to them.

"Right now we have the naming rights, and we plan to keep them," Robinson said. "If someone had a huge amount of money and they wanted to buy them, we would have to go to our Board of Trustees. In a year's time, no one has stepped up."

Meanwhile, construction continues on the arena that will house both the Wolfpack basketball team and the Hurricanes of the National Hockey League. The completion date is supposed to be Sept. 1, 1999, but there is contention that the arena may not be finished until October of 1999.

"Well, that's a good question," Curt Williams, executive director of the Centennial Authority, said when asked if the arena would be completed on time. "We are holding hard and fast to Sept. 1. We can live with a delivery in September. That's when the 'Canes move in.'"

Williams said the Authority is not entirely sure

when the arena will be completed.

"We don't have a real good feel," said Williams. "[The contractors] are behind in some areas. Things haven't gone as smoothly for them as they would have liked."

However, Williams remains "cautiously optimistic" that the Hurricanes will be able to move in for the beginning of the NHL season in October.

Robinson said that NCSU will not really be affected by an October move into the arena.

"September or October does not really affect us," Robinson said. "We feel that it's going to open on time. I think they are scrambling to finish as fast as they can."

Hinds said that the Hurricanes are not concerned yet about the arena not being ready in time.

"We have all the confidence that the arena will be done [on time]," said Hinds.

The price tag of the arena should come in around \$158 million, according to Williams.

"It may not reach \$158 million," Williams said. "We would like to have it come in less than that."

Williams said that the nature of any big project lends itself to coming in over budget. Williams also said the Authority finalized a "Tri-Party agreement" at Wednesday's City Council meeting that allows the Authority to use \$5.2 million of a contingency fund.

## Student Senate disagrees over tuition increase

◆ Student Senate was unable to come to a consensus in its Wednesday night meeting on whether to support or oppose a proposed tuition increase.

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Senior Staff Writer

In a marathon session last Wednesday night, the Student Senate considered its position on the tuition increase expected to be handed down by the North Carolina General Assembly (GA).

The meeting proved largely inconclusive as the Senate adjourned in the wee hours of Thursday morning, having voted down an amended resolution supporting the increase, effectively giving the Senate no established position on the matter.

Discussion on the resolution began after a presentation by Jeffrey Neiman, Neiman is the president of the student body of the UNC system and a member of the UNC Board of Governors's Task Force on Tuition Policy, a body that will submit a report on the proposed increase to the UNC Board of Governors this Thursday in Winston-Salem.

According to Neiman, the task force's report recommends an increase of 4.9 percent, or \$72 per semester for N.C. State students. The increase, Neiman said, is based on three major factors: the North Carolina Per Capita Index (NCPCI), which represents the average increase in North Carolina taxpayers' salaries over the past year; a massive \$112 million UNC system expansion budget; and the likelihood of a lean-budget year in North Carolina.

Fielding questions from the senators about the need for the increase, Neiman noted that over the last 10 years, the GA has raised tuition at a rate of 7 percent per year. He stressed the need for the UNC system to have a hand in the increases required of its students.

"The whole point of what we are doing is to try to make recommendations from the university to the GA about our tuition," Neiman said.

After closing the presentation, Neiman and NCSU Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Tom Stafford, who is also a member of the tuition task force, stayed to watch the senate debate its position on the increase.

Under consideration by the Student Senate was Resolution 15, introduced by Senate Pro Tempore Seth Whitaker. The resolution stated that "the N.C. State Student Senate strongly opposes the 4.9% in-state tuition increase proposed to the UNC Board of Governors as inconsistent with the State's constitutional guarantee to provide higher education to the people, as far as practicable, free of expense."

Whitaker opened debate by offering an amendment striking the entire body of Resolution 15 and replacing it with text stating that the Student Senate "does not

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## Heath Service facility awarded

◆ The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations recently recognized the N.C. State healthcare facility.

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News Editor

The N.C. State Student Health Services has gotten a new building, easier access and improved facilities in recent months. Now, it has become the recipient of yet another enhancement: Accreditation with Commendation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

The Joint Commission is a nation-

al organization that surveys and accredits all healthcare services as to their quality of care and the safety of their environments. The goal of the Joint Commission, according to their mission statement, "is to improve the quality of health care for the public by providing accreditation and related services that support performance improvement in health care organizations."

"Receiving Accreditation with Commendation is a significant achievement, one that recognizes exemplary performance by N.C. State," said Dennis O'Leary, president of the Joint Commission, in a recent press release.

The Joint Commission, which was formed in 1951, is the nation's oldest and largest accrediting body. It

evaluates and accredits more than 18,000 health care organizations throughout the United States.

On the basis of an on-site survey completed in October of 1998, the NCSU Student Health Service received a score of 98 from the Joint Commission. This score ranks high among similar institutions; only 26 percent of all ambulatory care facilities nationwide have received that score or higher.

"We are extremely pleased to have achieved this designation," said Director of NCSU Student Health Services Jerry Barker in the press release. "Everyone here goes the extra mile on a day-to-day basis to provide the best possible health care to our patients."

## Influential Middle East leader dies

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AMMAN, Jordan — King Hussein, the tenacious monarch of Jordan who survived more than four decades of turbulent Middle East history to become a pivotal figure in the search for peace, died Sunday. He was 63.

A lifelong champion of the Arab cause, Hussein sent his troops into two wars with Israel against impos-

sible odds, yet in his last years he became the Israelis' most trusted ally in the Arab world and a crucial mediator in the search for a lasting peace in the Middle East.

He transformed his tiny Bedouin kingdom into a modern nation while constantly battling to save his throne from internal threats and the violent ambitions of Arab leaders in neighboring Iraq, Egypt and Syria.

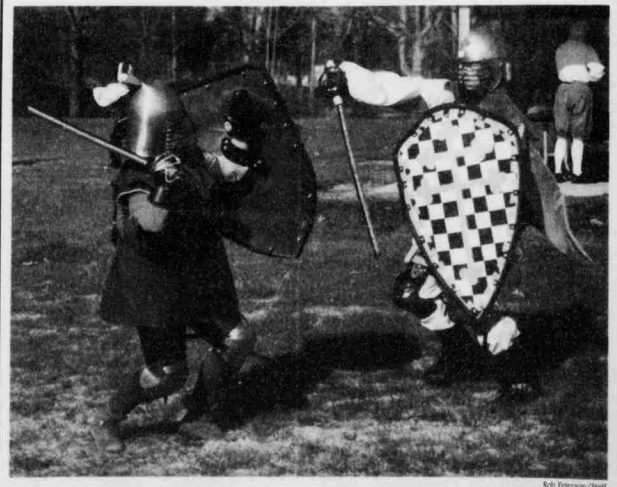
Hussein was a teenager when he assumed the throne in 1952, not long after his grandfather was shot to death at his side in Jerusalem.

From a youth of fast cars, airplanes and discotheques, Hussein grew into one of the Arab world's most influential leaders and became, despite his autocratic style, one of the first to introduce something close to multiparty democracy in a region of dictators and powerful emirs.

His regime survived threats from radical Arab nationalists in the 1950s, the traumatic loss of the West Bank and part of Jerusalem to Israel in 1967, a civil war with the Palestine Liberation Organization

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## En Guard!



"Eiils" and "Sir Keagan," members of SCA, Society for Creative Anacronism, a non-profit historical education association recreate the Middle Ages. Here, two members engage in mock conflict in Pullen Park.

## Tuition

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oppose the 4.9% in-state tuition increase proposed by the UNC Board of Governors, provided that sufficient need-based financial aid is provided for qualifying students." The five-hour debate that followed saw four different senators presiding over the session, three proposed

amendments to Whitaker's proposed amendment, two motions to delay voting on the resolution until this week, two separate votes on the amended resolution and, finally, no resolution passed on to the UNC Board of Governors.

Arguing against the increase, Senator Ryan Avent said, "I just don't feel like we should go along with this ... One of the main concerns I have with [the tuition increase] is the lack of funding for financial aid to go along with it."

Speaking in favor of the increase, Senator Arriv Carlson said, "Life is harsh. This is not a fantasy realm, at some point we have to pay."

When the Senate decided on a resolution to take a vote on it, it was an amended version introduced by Senator Raj Mirchandani. Mirchandani's amendment to Whitaker's amended resolution supporting the increase given that a raise in financial aid accompanies it stated that the Senate would not oppose any tuition raise, provided

that sufficient financial aid is provided.

"We're not compromising," Mirchandani said of his amendment. "We are taking steps to decrease our tuition increases."

A roll-call vote on Mirchandani's amendment yielded a tie, 19-19, with three senators abstaining. In breaking the tie and defeating the amended resolution, Senate President Alexis Met said, "I cannot vote in favor of any tuition increase."

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three years later and violent popular riots in 1989.

His popularity with his people grew over the years and endured despite widespread disappointment at the fruits of Jordan's 1994 peace treaty with Israel. That peace did not bring the economic benefits that Jordanians had expected — and increasingly left Jordanians out of step with most of the Arab world. Even Palestinian refugees and their descendants, who rebelled against the king in 1970, came to appreciate Hussein over time. The king gave them sanctuary, opportunity and a passport in Jordan, and voluntarily relinquished his family's claim to rule over the West Bank.

By the end of Hussein's reign, Palestinians in Jordan made up more than half the kingdom's population, and they essentially ran the economy.

Hussein's special place in the heart of Israelis was confirmed in 1996 when he traveled to Jerusalem and wept at the funeral of his slain friend and collaborator in the quest for Middle East peace, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. The next year, when a deranged Jordanian soldier gunned down Israeli schoolchildren on a field trip to Jordan, the king went to the homes of the victims to apologize and console the mothers and fathers.

In his later years, he shifted Jordan's foreign policy into closer political and strategic alliance with

the United States and worked behind the scenes to foster Arab-Israeli agreements and to prevent an open rupture in the peace process, despite his obvious irritation with Israel's hard-line prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu.

In the fall of 1998, Hussein was credited with helping to end an 18-month stalemate in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. He rose from his sickbed at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., where he was receiving treatment for cancer, and joined marathon negotiations in Maryland with President Clinton. They persuaded Israeli and Palestinian leaders to sign the Wye River accord, which, at least temporarily, revived the trading of Israeli-held land to the Palestinians in exchange for measures against terrorism.

Hussein's charmed reign was not without personal cost. He was the victim of several assassination attempts and efforts to overthrow his monarchy, often supported by neighboring Arab leaders who portrayed themselves as his friends.

He was wed four times. His marriages to Egyptian-born Sherifa Dina Abdel Hamid in 1955 and to Toni Avril Gardiner, the daughter of a British army officer, in 1961 ended in divorce. In 1972, he wed Alia Toukan, a Jordanian diplomat's daughter, whose death in a 1977 helicopter crash preceded his marriage to his fourth wife, the American-born Lisa Halaby, now Queen Noor.

He battled cancer twice. In 1992, he underwent successful surgery to remove a cancerous kidney. And in July 1998, in a television broadcast that was memorable as a rare instance in which an Arab leader candidly discussed personal health problems, he revealed that he had received a diagnosis of lymphoma and would undergo several months of chemotherapy at the Mayo Clinic.

It was after his return to Jordan from that treatment in January that Hussein stunned his nation by abruptly removing his younger brother Hassan from the line of succession. Hassan, who had served as heir apparent for more than three decades, was replaced by Hussein's eldest son, Abdullah, a politically inexperienced but capable army officer.

The king was motivated by a desire to be succeeded by his own children, but a letter he wrote announcing the decision lay bare a bitter family feud. It took pointed swipes at Hassan, accusing him of exceeding his authority during the months he had served as interim leader while Hussein underwent cancer treatment.

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## The American ideal and body image

◆ A roundtable talk fosters discussion about the American ideal.

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Senior Staff Writer

"Mirror, mirror on the wall, who's the fairest of them all!" These familiar words from a child's movie still capture the essence of human vanity. In America, especially, there seems to be no escape from the beautiful models whose faces and bodies are plastered on billboards, magazine pages and television shows. Late-night TV is inundated with infomercials trying to sell Thighmasters, new-wave diets and any other type of product that will enhance and change our looks. From the multiplying cults who flock to the gyms to the dieters who try to cut calories at every corner, the question arises: Are Americans obsessed with the way they look?

A recent roundtable discussion on Americans and body image brought to light how a handful of college students feel about this issue. Volunteers for the roundtable included Julia, a sophomore in electrical engineering; Sarah, a sophomore in business; Irene, a senior in environmental science; Omar, a sophomore in political science; and Shiro, a sophomore in math (all names have been changed).

**Technician: What is the American definition of beauty?**

Julia: Probably the traditional blonde hair, blue eyes and proportional body for women, but thin.

Omar: There can't be an ideal for everyone because half the United States will say they want blonde hair, blue eyes and the other half will say they want brown hair and brown eyes. It just depends on the people.

**Technician: How do you think the media plays into your self-perception?**

Sarah: We see beautiful people on TV and in the magazines all the time; they want us to think that those models are what beauty is.

Julia: Glamour magazine is like my Bible. But I see the models and know that they're just models.

**Technician: Are there certain qualities that are associated with thin women?**

Julia: In sociology we talked about the "halo effect," where you see a person who looks good and you will think they have other good qualities too — like a good personality, they'll be good to talk to, they'll have everything going for them because they look good and because they're thin. Irene: I agree with that; you see someone and think they're going to get a good job, they have lots of friends, they're happy in their life.

**Technician: Because they're thin?**

Irene: Not necessarily because they're thin, but because

they're thin, they look good, they dress well — they've got the whole package.

**Technician: What about guys, do they really want thin women?**

Omar: If they look like a rail, it's not going to happen. They're not gonna have a butt, and they'll look like a twig. I'm turned off if someone's fat, but not if they're a little overweight. Guys like girls with booty!

**Technician: Do you mean a booty, or a "booty body"?**

Irene: What the heck is a "booty body"?

Omar: It's like a full body, she's curvaceous, sometimes extracurvaceous.

Julia: So does that define your ideal beauty for a girl — a girl with "booty"?

Omar: No, a girl can be kind of skinny too — the face is the most important thing — that's what first attracts you, the smile and the eyes.

Shiro: The smile is really important; it's overall. I just look to see the whole package.

**Technician: Okay, girls do you want big, muscular guys?**

Sarah: Nothing extra. They should be in-between. You don't have to be perfect, but don't have a beer gut.

Irene: I'm not attracted to overly muscular men. I'm actually all about some tall, skinny guys.

**Technician: What do guys really think when girls say 'I'm fat'?**

Omar: Every girl that has ever said that to me I thought was amazing looking.

Shiro: They do it to get attention.

Sarah: They do it so you can pay a compliment to them, and it will boost their ego.

Julia: Thin girls like to say, "Do I look fat?" because they know that they don't; it's just for reassurance.

**Technician: Do you think society's more accepting of larger women today?**

Omar: If they're comedians.

Irene: I think it's slightly more acceptable. People are moving more toward attitude and personality more than body size. They have an attitude like, "Yeah, you're a little overweight, but damn you're a cool person and I really like hanging out with you."

Omar: I'd like to agree with you, but then you see something like 20/20, where they'll show a taxi pass right by the fat woman and go to the skinny one, or the fat guy who won't get help when he tries to fix his car. Realistically, what I see is that a skinny person has more opportunities than an overweight person.

**Technician: Are you treated differently due to your cosmetic appearance or clothing?**

Julia: When I dress up, I step out of my place and I notice that people look more.

Sarah: You get compliments.

Irene: People definitely want to talk to you more and be friendlier if you look better than if you look like a scruff.

People notice when you make an effort or at least try.

**Technician: In one survey the women said that the body competition wasn't about men, because women judge each other's looks much more harshly than men do. Is that true, ladies?**

Irene: You totally compare yourself to everybody else. We do it to make ourselves feel better. We can look around and say, "Okay, I look better than, her, her, her and her."

Julia: Yeah, and you don't want to admit that another girl looks better, so you'll verbalize it as "Oh my God, what's she doing wearing that?"

Sarah: Girls look at other girls in more detail, like whether her makeup is done or not and the clothes they're wearing.

**Technician: Do guys do that, too?**

Shiro: We don't look at other guys as enemies like that.

Omar: When I see a really gorgeous girl walking around with some dude that to me doesn't seem that great, I'll think "What the heck is she doing with that guy?" So I guess I do it in that way, but if you're not threatened, then you don't do that.

**Technician: What are some things that make you feel worse about your body?**

Julia: When I see girls who I think are prettier than I am ... girls who have butts.

Irene: Summertime, the beach or the pool; it all comes down to bathing suits.

Omar: I'm Egyptian, and there's going to be that certain type of girl who wants that "all-American boy" look, and I obviously don't have that, so ... I deal with it anyway. I'm

pretty happy about who I am.

**Technician: What body parts do you like least about yourselves?**

Irene: My stomach, thighs and breasts. I have flab and that whole cottage cheese deal that you get going on.

Shiro: What are they talking about? What cottage cheese? Irene: The cottage cheese dimples. And my breasts, they're too small; they need to be bigger all the time. I don't fill out clothes quite as nice as I'd like to.

Omar: My sides, lovehandles.

Shiro: I wish I were taller.

**Technician: Have you noticed any differences across cultural lines as far as body image goes?**

Julia: The models in Indian movies are much bigger, healthier and fuller than American models. And they love long, black silky hair.

Sarah: In Hispanic cultures, we wear a lot of makeup everywhere.

**Technician: Well, for a final question, let me ask what helps people have a better body image about themselves?**

Omar: Having a boyfriend or a girlfriend. With a lot of my friends, if they're not going out with someone they'll think, "Gosh, I'm never gonna get a girlfriend ... I don't know what I'm supposed to do," and then the same person if he can get a girlfriend ... will think that he can conquer the world. I think it's probably the same for girls, too.

Sarah: Yeah, when you have a boyfriend, you know you're wanted by somebody, and it's easier to get attention from other guys, too.

Shiro: Yeah, you know someone likes you and someone else could like you, too, and it gets bigger and bigger and you're like, "Wow, maybe someone likes me!" But when you don't have anyone, you feel like a rock on the street that everyone's kicking.

**Technician: Do you need a hug?**

Shiro: I'll be okay.

Julia: Family helps. I also think your confidence in yourself and who you are is important. People sense your confidence. I find it attractive when people have confidence. They may not look that good, but their confidence makes them look so much better.

Omar: Working out helps, too.

Sarah: Compliments you get from people.

Irene: Your friends and having people pay attention to you.

If you would be interested in participating in an upcoming roundtable, or have comments or suggestions for future roundtable topics, please email Monique at [mthomas@unr.ncsu.edu](mailto:mthomas@unr.ncsu.edu).

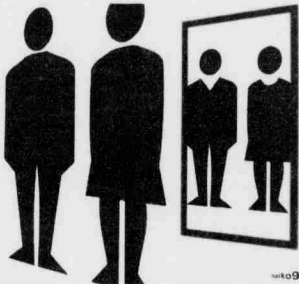


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## Technician's View

# SGA offers no stance

◆ After hours of debate, some members of the Student Senate ignored the student body's wishes and argued for a tuition increase.

Last Wednesday, the Student Senate quibbled for more than five hours over an issue with a clear position. The Senate meeting ended with nothing accomplished. The vote that the Senate should not oppose the 4.9 percent in-state tuition increase proposed by the UNC Board of Governors, provided that sufficient need-based financial aid is provided for qualifying students, failed with a tie vote.

The amended version of an original resolution that opposed a tuition increase was doctored-up to support the increase, given that a raise in financial aid accompanied it. The Senate said they would oppose any tuition raise that would not go to pay for improvements to existing university structures, salaries and services.

Sensors who favored the tuition increase argued that they were actually supporting a decrease because they felt that the General Assembly

would jack-up tuition even higher than 4.9 percent if students did not support the Board of Governor's proposal. Their argument is weak. It appears as if it is a debate tactic rather than fact. Their claim as to the General Assembly's thinking about the matter is mere speculation. There is no factual basis that the General Assembly would have the audacity to inflate tuition even higher if students did not go along with it.

It's clear that some members of the Student Government have perhaps forgotten their role as student advocates. It's clear where N.C. State students stand -- no tuition increases! How can members of the Student Government ignore such an obvious and clear consensus?

Student Government complains that students do not listen or support their programs and initiatives, but it is clear why this is the case. When students start getting a fair representation of their views by governing bodies, then students might start listening and paying attention. Until this occurs, Student Government will be mocked and seen as an elitist organization with its own agenda.



# Studying with the enemy

Brett Wetzell  
Staff Columnist

Last semester I was able to take a course at our friendly neighboring school, UNC-Chapel Hill. It was an experience unlike any to be found here and confirmed many of the darkest suspicions about that campus. I was in the very pits of the enemy, and, with careful discretion to dress and manner, I was able to walk among them unnoticed.

My distrust and dislike of our rival institution was cultured in my undergraduate years, when I was told many things, the most far-reaching of which I simply assumed to be propaganda or exaggeration. Yet, last semester I witnessed the truth of these accusations. UNC is a frightening and perverse world. And I'm ashamed to admit that, at first, this strange and exotic environment dazzled me.

On the surface, UNC and its hometown, Chapel Hill, seem amusing and harmless. Many of us have infiltrated its ranks before for a change of pace or to catch a hand lined there by the town's mystique. But experiencing the University of North Carolina on a daily basis is another matter. What the casual visitor may interpret as coincidence is revealed to the resident as dangerous and frightful pattern.

In the waning months of summer that pass for autumn, the first days of classes begin. My immediate impression was sheer awe. The UNC campus in full mid-class bustle on a sunny day is like a theme park of halter-tops and ponytails and Birkenstocks and polo shirts. And the strangest thing is that it was always sunny there; the sky was literally always Carolina Blue.

So many times I would embark from rain and cold in Raleigh only to be greeted by sunshine and warmth in Chapel Hill. And there was almost always parking. Picture an abundance of parking meters right on campus, all which let you pay for as much as three hours of parking! And when I finally did get my first parking ticket, it came in a baby blue packet, cost significantly less than \$20, and when I appealed, they not only listened, but also dropped the fine! The dorm rooms there are not only bigger, but most have air conditioning, cable, and free Internet access. And my God, while we are thrilled to have our own Taco Bell and Chick-Fil-A right on campus, they have this giant food arena that's bigger than the food court of any mall.

But none of the above were why I was a half-hour late for my first day of class; in fact, perhaps I can admit that the aforementioned degree of sleeveless top fashion would actually influence subsequent arrival to campus. No, I was late because I was a freshman all over again and fell victim to an ageless scheduling trick eerily similar to one quite well known at our own campus.

Many NCSU students see the "WI" on their schedule and assume it to mean Winston Hill, when they only later painfully discover that CSC 114 has nothing to with "A Survey of Rhetoric" and is actually in Withers. And so I ended up in Wilson Library with a syllabus for "History of Thailand to 1660," and not in Wilson Hall. An initial deception that would prove not too unlike the larger illusion cast by this glamorous institution.

The land of Blue Heaven seemed larger than life. Smiling students sat outside chatting without cigarettes, proudly discussing the achievements of both their men's and women's basketball teams. Powder blue, a gaudy color shunned by Cheerleader Barbie herself, was everywhere, without a trace of State Red. Then one day while sitting with my Evian and "DTM" under the shade of an old Carolina oak, the illusion began to unravel before my eyes. These were not students surrounding me, but drones trained since birth to love and worship Carolina Blue. No one in their right mind chooses to major in Music History or French Art. These people were brainwashed.

Absorbing images of Michael Jordan and Dean Smith and Serge Zwikker their whole life, most never had a choice. I escaped the experience with my life, but to this day I have to remind myself to unlick my shirt and actually pay my parking tickets. Believe the rumors you hear—UNC is a dangerous and evil place.

## CAMPUS FORUM

### LeBoeuf's view is not logical

In the Technician on Thursday, Feb. 4, Steven LeBoeuf wrote about the ills of publicly funded financial aid for college students. He wastes nearly a column and a half pontificating about how need-based publicly funded financial aid is immoral, increases the cost of college and lowers the quality of our education. He has three basic ideas about why tax-funded financial aid is bad or unnecessary.

It is immoral for the government to take people's hard-earned money for the "social good." Even LeBoeuf admits that he's had a hard time convincing many people of this. As far as I understand, the government is defined as an organization that takes people's hard-earned money for the "social good." Then again, why we don't need armies, schools, health care for the poor, law enforcement, environmental regulations. The point of the government is to take people's money and put it toward coordinated efforts that individuals could not fund by themselves. LeBoeuf is rightfully entitled to argue that tax-funded financial aid is a "Social Good" or not, but he can't fault the government for taxing folk to pay for it.

Tax-funded financial aid caused the increase in the cost of college by

artificially increasing the demand for college. This causes universities to increase tuition and fees. If the increases in tuition are due to a supply-demand spiral, then the actual cost of providing a college education is constant, and the universities are making millions. At NCSU, the money seems to go into such things as paying staff, repairing things and buying fast computers for the students to use. Running a university requires a great deal of money. To be brief, there doesn't seem to be a large amount of money floating around that isn't being used for something that is related to a service provided by the university.

A college education is not important to a person's success. LeBoeuf claims that it is unnecessary to have a college education to get a high-paying job. As an example, he offers Bill Gates. LeBoeuf forgets to add the fact that Gates is an extremely bright individual who entered the computer industry near its inception and knew quite a lot about computers despite his lack of a degree. Most people without college degrees are not a lucky as Mr. Gates.

LeBoeuf claims that tax-funded financial aid is immoral and bad for everyone in general. However, he also claims that taking this dirty money isn't a bad thing as long as you're a dedicated student like LeBoeuf. Notice that by implication, LeBoeuf is saying that the

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## Being P.C. divides people

Richard Morgan  
Staff Columnist

I consider myself a pretty gracious guy. I'm willing to call Ireland "Eire" even if all the maps still say Ireland. I'm willing to call Michael Jordan African-American even if he is from North Carolina and not from Africa. I'm even willing to refrain from sexist terms like "man-made" or "gentleman's agreement" just in case it would offend one of those lovely ladies out there. I'm willing to do all of those things because of political correctness. After all, doesn't everyone want to be as politically correct as possible? Insult few. Appreciate many. That's the road to politically correct heaven or nirvana or whatever you want to call it.

Well, I'm writing today to say that political correctness is a crock. It sucks for three reasons: 1) it is political, 2) it enforces without authority and 3) it denies personality.

By definition, political correctness is political and so is often claimed to that other political dirty word: agenda. The term "PC!" (Before the Common Era) is deemed more politically correct than the equivalent term "BC" (Before Christ) because "BC" is seen as pushing a Christian agenda. Such logic is ridiculous. If I say that the month of January is named after the Roman god Janus, that does not in any way mean that I support or endorse Roman mythology over, for example, Norse mythology (after Thursday is named after the Norse god Thor).

To further this point, I'll use for example the horribly politically incorrect designation of this year as 1999. This year is only 1999 on the Gregorian calendar, the use of which could be seen as a blatant show of favoritism for Pope

Gregory XIII, who created the calendar, and for the Roman Catholic Church in general. Doesn't that offend all you non-Roman Catholics out there?

Just think of all the conspirators who use and enforce this biased calendar: your school, your computer, your bank, your family and the list goes on and on. As a Protestant, I shudder to think about how I've been duped for years by a vast conspiracy of Roman Catholic lobbyists.

Such lunacy proves my second point, that political correctness fails to establish by what standards or by what authority it is correct. It becomes a game of hit-and-miss, linguistic Russian roulette, where the wrong trigger word can mean a fatal faux pas. It boils down to an absurd perversion of linguistic etiquette. No, not just etiquette, moral etiquette. The term "Asian-American" is deemed more correct and more moral than "oriental" or "yellow." While it is true that words can be used to reflect moral attitudes, who is to say which words are more moral than others?

If a man is called Thomas, I'm sure some people call him Thomas, while others call him Tommy and still others call him Tom. I'm also sure that every Thomas has a preferred designation. But who is to tell every Thomas that it would be more moral to call him Tommy than to call him Tom? That question of authority and demonstration of the absurdity of moralistic word choice is another serious flaw of political correctness.

The final problem with political correctness is in the need for conformity — for lack of individualism — that it necessitated. We've all experienced what it's like to be "tired" or "worn out," but suppose we were told that it would be more correct and more moral of us to

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## Not love, but money is at the heart of Valentine's Day

Rustin Adams  
Staff Columnist

It has arrived again. It sneaks up on you out of the darkness of schoolwork, jobs and partying, just like it does every year at this time. For those of you who have been drunk the entire semester, it's not exams. For those of you who have not left the library since the first day of classes, the semester is not over. It's that ancient tradition called Valentine's Day.

Fear it. That warning is only aimed at the men reading this column (and even the ones who aren't). Warn them, too, because women actually look forward to this beast. Some of you women may say that I'm full of it and that you hate Valentine's Day. These women might say that and they may actually hate it, but, as far as I'm concerned, even the women who hate it look forward to its arrival. These women look forward to this so-called "holiday," not because they have some fine young man to take them out, but because they get to state over and over their total disgust for it in general.

You can spot one of these women because they will probably be in a really bad mood all week and

when Sunday finally does get here, they will say at least every five minutes how much they think Valentine's Day sucks. My advice to everyone dealing with these women is just to not say anything about Valentine's Day to them. Nothing.

You may be in for more than you bargained for. Then there are the women who have boyfriends on Valentine's Day. They aren't a very pleasant breed to deal with this time of year. You can spot them by looking for the women in a good mood, who start every sentence with "my boyfriend..." All this week, they will be trying to figure out what kind of checking account-raping activity the unfortunate boyfriend has planned for Sunday. And if you ask them about it, you will also probably get more than you bargained for, because they will more than likely go on and on and on about what they think their boyfriend is going to do for them. (Here is a good place to stick in a disclaimer. Not all women are like this. I do know women who do not act like either the woman with the boyfriend or the woman without. To those women, you rock!)

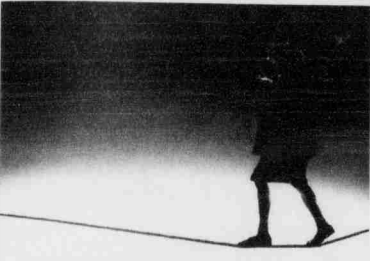
The boyfriends of these women may or may not be threatened by the arrival of Valentine's Day. If they have been through the whole ordeal before, they might just be looking forward to it. These guys know that, unlike every other day of this year,

if they do everything right, it is almost a given that they will get laid on Saturday. They understand the connection between sex and Valentine's Day. Did St. Valentine preach the joys of sex? Or did some random guy, way back in the day, tell his girl that it was tradition for a guy to get laid on Valentine's Day. I don't know, but you are probably right or one! I'm not so sure, but you are probably right or whatever else, so I can't answer that.

The guys who have never had a real girlfriend (not a junior high girlfriend or some girl who used to hold your hand on the school bus in the afternoons) during Valentine's Day are probably just looking at Sunday and the destruction of their financial stability. To those guys, you are probably right to look at it that way, and you need to make sure that you look out for your interests, too. Your girlfriend will get over it if you don't take her to the Angus Barn, but your credit may not if you do. I promise. I know. The amateurs just need to remember — a perk of having a girlfriend on Valentine's Day is the very good chance that you will get some, and you are probably spending a lot of money to try to be romantic. Just don't do or say anything stupid, and you're golden.

That last group to look at in this fun Valentine's

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Day analysis is the group that includes the guys with no girlfriends. I'm proud to be part of that group this year, as are many of my fellow group members (I think). For those of us who have had girlfriends during Valentine's Day in the past, we definitely miss the "can't miss" chance that I have been talking about (did you think we wouldn't? We are men). But then we look at all the money we will be saving and how much beer, Bojangles, etc., that it translates into. The feelings of remorse disappear very quickly (at least for me because, even though I'm a big fan of sex, I'm a big fan of Bojangles and beer, too, and those two are usually more readily available).

Valentine's Day, whether you love it or hate it, is a tradition that will most likely be around for the rest of your lives, so be prepared. To the women who won't have a boyfriend on Sunday, you'll get one someday, and you'll love the holiday then. Don't be hypocritical. To the guys with girlfriends: you'll make the money back one of these days. I would recommend using a credit card so you can buy food for yourself the rest of the month (but I recommend a credit card for everything so I may not be the right person to

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majority of aid receivers are unmotivated and don't value their education. He claims all of these problems are the result of the evil boogymen he calls socialists. Good for him, he's just re-invented Social Darwinism and made an exception for himself. I think it's quite nice of him to go to all the trouble.

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Technician allowed a longer length for this campus forum letter in order to maintain a coherent train of thought.

## Technician encourages immorality

My son goes to NCSU and lives in a little house we own near the University. He would like to rent a room to another student, possibly a woman. He sent me an article from the Technician: "What's it like rooming with the opposite sex".

I've told him that it is possible to live with the opposite sex without negative complications just as it is also possible to drive 100 MPH on many roads without complications. Why then, has society traditionally discouraged unmarried women and men from living together? I think the answer lies in some statistics quoted in February 4th's Wall Street Journal: one-third of all children, two-thirds of black children and three-quarters of children born to teenagers are born out of wedlock.

This trend is bad for society and your frivolous article, printed without the slightest regard for society's traditions, and without any thought as to what example you might set for others, demonstrates your moral bankruptcy.

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ask). To the girlfriends of these guys: calm down. Not everyone wants to hear about how excited you are about Sunday. Just remember to "tip your server." And for my fellow guys who will have no girlfriend as of Sunday, congratulations. In the long run, your financial stability will mean more than some sexy lingerie a girl could have worn for you and some serious lovemaking (not really, but tell yourself that). The party is at my house.

Regardless, Valentine's Day is a commercial holiday that was made up by flower growers, candy makers, card companies and jewelry companies to make more money. Don't make it a bigger deal than it really is.

Austin Adams is a senior in business management who will spend his Valentine's Day spending his extra money watching Baywatch reruns and daydreaming. If you would like to join him or want to erroneously tell him that he is "just jealous," email him at adadams2@univ.ncsu.edu.

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only use the word "exhausted" to describe that sensation. That stalesness of speech is exactly what political correctness tries to achieve. It aims to rob us of the spice of language that word choice gives us. It disguises unity as uniformity.

And why do we try so hard to gain unity anyway? In a nation designed to be a fusion — a melting pot, a tossed salad — of culture, it has been our differences that have given us our strengths. It is in appreciating the ways we are different that we can best appreciate the ways we are alike. If we all thought the same and talked the same, we may be a more moral people, but we'd be a lot less special.

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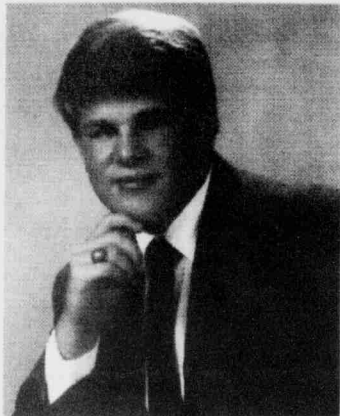
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# Texas hooks nation's top recruiting class

JEFF McDONALD  
Daily Texan (U. Texas-Austin)

AUSTIN, Texas — For his next trick, Mack Brown may as well attempt to walk on water.

As a first-year Texas coach last fall, Brown astounded most national observers by making a 1997 season of gloom and doom disappear, then amazed them by pulling a 9-3 Cotton Bowl championship season seemingly out of thin air.

But on Wednesday, Brown may have pulled off his most magical act to date, signing what many are calling the top recruiting class in America to iron-clad Longhorn football scholarships.

Each of a crop of 26 highly-touted prepsters — including USA Today Offensive Player of the Year Chris Simms and Cory Redding, the USA Today's Defensive Player of the Year — fared in their commitment letters by 11:15 a.m., setting the foundation for what Brown hopes will be a national powerhouse.

"It's been a storybook year for us, but the message sent today is that the storybook's not over," Brown said. "This year's class should be one that can jump start us into the elite of college foot-

ball."

The class, which is considered to be by far the best in UT history, has also been dubbed tops in the nation by just about every recruiting service in existence, including the National Recruiting Advisor, the Prep Football Report, and SuperPrep magazine.

Other schools consistently among the top five include Ohio State, Florida State, Notre Dame, Texas A&M, and defending national champion Tennessee. Still, SuperPrep publisher Allen Wallace said he is comfortable with his publication's choice for the top crop.

"It's the No. 1 class in the United States," Wallace said by phone from his Laguna Beach, Calif., office. "It just demonstrates the direction Mack Brown is taking the Texas program — maybe back to the national championship game. With this group of athletes, he can certainly get there."

The crown jewels of the collection are Simms and Redding, only the third pair of USA Today players of the year ever to sign letters of intent to the same school.

Redding, a 6-4, 226-pounder from Galena Park North Shore High School, recorded 215 tackles last season and is expected to

make an immediate impact at either linebacker or defensive line.

Simms, a quarterback from Franklin Lakes, N.J., was committed to Tennessee until two weeks ago, when he abruptly switched his non-binding oral pledge to the Longhorns.

The son of former New York Giants quarterback Phil Simms, the 6-5, 210-pound prospect threw for 2,239 yards and 18 touchdowns with only four interceptions as a senior, and was generally considered the steal of the recruiting season.

"When we heard about Simms, we were like, 'Okay, that's it,'" Wallace said. "He was the coup de gras. He was the cherry on top."

In all, the class Brown calls "the best I've ever been associated with" contains two national players of the year, four Parade All-Americans, 11 USA Today All-Americans and 19 all-state performers.

Just as important, all but five of the prospects are from Texas, reversing a disturbing recent trend that saw the state's best and brightest strike out for the greener pastures of places like Florida State and Notre Dame.

"It's not foolproof," Brown said of his staff's recruiting effort. "It doesn't mean all these guys are going to be All-Americans. It just means to this point in their career, they're really good. That's all we can bank on right now."

The next wonder Brown will be asked to work may be fitting the 26 recruits under the 25-player-per-class limit mandated by the

NCAA. He said at least one or two players may not academically qualify for the fall semester, effectively reducing the number in the 1999 crop.

In addition, two players — kicker Shane Hudnall of Tyler Lee High School and defensive end Cole Pittman of Shreveport, La., Evangel High — enrolled in school in January and will count toward last year's class.

"You could sign 50 players, as long as you only end up with 25," Brown said. "That's how the numbers work out, for those of you losing sleep."

Heading into the recruiting season, Brown's most pressing need was speed in the secondary, and he seems to have gotten it with the addition of cornerbacks Roderick Babers (Houston Lamar) Monti Collier (Dallas Carter), Dakari Pearson (Dayton), and Kendrick Turner (Dallas Kimball) and safety Antonio Moore (Del Valle).

At tight end, where the Horns lose All-Big 12 pick Derek Lewis, Brown strapped up a trio of commitments, including Bo Scaife, a Denver native widely regarded as the top recruit in Colorado.

On the offensive line, where Brown is looking to replace four departed starters, Texas picked up three prospects, led by Parade All-American Alfio Randall, a Houston Yates product.

"It's one of those classes that could go down in history," Wallace said. "But I guess we'll just have to wait to find that out."

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"The kids came off the event [bars] shaking their heads, and they came right over to beam and did what they were supposed to do. They put their heads back together, walked up, and had a great beam as a team," said Stevenson. "Then, we went to floor and, unlike last weekend where we lost the meet on the floor, they walked out there and hit their routines and looked good doing it."

"This is by far the best performance we've had," Stevenson added.

On the individual front, the Pack gave numerous impressive performances again. For the first time this season, Charles competed on every event and looked extremely impressive on three out of four in an overall score of 38.300.

"It was so exciting today for me because I have been just struggling this whole year to get back into it," said Charles. "I attempted a new vault today, and my floor routine was a little shaky here and there, but it was okay. And on beam, I had to add another layout, but it was

really good."

Sophomore Amy Langendorf continued her torrid start to the year. Langendorf put a 38.400 on the board in the all-around to finish third behind UNC's Brooke Wilson and Williams. Langendorf was not lost on this year.

However, the big story was Haney and fellow junior Jenny Sommer, who were competing for only the second time this year. Sommer delivered a 9.725 on both beam and floor. Meanwhile, Haney added a second place finish on floor, with a 9.850, to her win on beam.

"My goal was to hit my beam routine and hit my floor routine like I do in practice every day," said Haney. "Neither me nor Jenny did very well last weekend. I think that was just nerves since we hadn't competed in a while. But, competing at home is great with all the fans and all the kids. It was great to come out here and hit. We really couldn't be happier."

The Pack will be back home again next Friday when it takes on George Washington, Radford and William and Mary in the Hearts Invitational.

# Heels Wrestle

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Emily Fess picked up two second-place finishes, in the 1000 freestyle and the 400m individual medley. Carmen Baker took third in the 1000 freestyle, and Susan Vogt finished behind Fess in the individual medley.

Gina Galligan and Bridget Bowers teamed up for second and third, respectively, in the 100m breast-stroke. Bowers also finished second in the 200m race in the same stroke.

Mandy Horn and Brandi Stergion took second in the two sprint events, Horn in the 50m freestyle and Stergion in the 100 freestyle.

Kathleen Tonini also finished second in the 200 backstroke, while placing fourth in the 100m backstroke.

Both of the Pack teams will not compete again until the conference championships. Both the men's and the women's championships will be held at the University of Maryland. The women's competition takes place next weekend, while the men will have to wait two weeks, until Feb. 25.

feit. Greg Bauer, the Pack's regular wrestler at 133 moved up.

Bauer defeated Abner Suarez 4-0 at 141, giving the Pack a 12-0 lead. Ranked No. 15 nationally, sophomore Tommy Davis won a major decision over Gary Hughes in the

149 class, one class up from where Davis usually wrestles. Davis improved his personal season record to 15-4.

Pierre Pryor's pin of Adam Deputy, just 42 seconds into the match at 157 pounds, gave the Wolfpack a 2-2-0 lead.

Campbell's Billy Green interrupted the Wolfpack run, winning the decision at 165, 5-4 over State's John Grochowski.

But N.C. State's Kevin Boross, who sealed a Wolfpack victory with

a win earlier in the season, put the contest away with a technical fall win over Dallas Hicks, putting the Wolfpack up 27-3.

Zach Breitenbach picked up the Wolfpack last win of the evening, defeating John Christian, 5-1 at 184.

State's 197-pound wrestler Josh McClure lost the decision in overtime, while heavyweight Billy Noble was defeated by Campbell's John Black, 6-3. The win was Black's ninth straight win.

Joe Lion taking third, fifth, sixth and seventh places, respectively.

In the Carolina All Comers meet, State had four top-five places. Katie Bolac and Annemarie Clark tied for second in the pole vault at 10'. Ketone Covington placed fourth in the long jump at 18'06.5" and Victoria Stokes took fifth in the high jump at 5'00.25.

For the men, Cordell Smith and Eric Cannon paced the Pack with first-place finishes. Smith took first in the long jump with 24'01.75" and Cannon was the best at the 35 lb. weight throw with a distance of 54'06.75". David Kessler took second in the pole vault, Brent Joseph took third in the long jump and Eric Tomville fifth in the high jump, rounding out State's top five finishes.

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Tyrone Dozier finished ninth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 47.81 seconds.

Wolfpack athletes were also taking part in the George Mason Patriot Games and Carolina All Comers meets on Saturday.

In the Patriot Games meet, on the women's side, Molly Purser took first-place in the 1K with a time of 2:55.26, and Jackie Coscia finished third in the mile. Christy Gowdison finished third in the 3K, followed closely by Coscia who finished two seconds behind for fifth. N.C. State's

4X400 relay team took fifth as well.

The men also had several good finishes. Ricky Duncan, Marco McClelland took fourth in the 60-meter dash and 11th in the 60-meter hurdles, leading the Pack. State's Brent Underwood took eighth in the 60-meter dash as well.

The Wolfpack had four players in the top 10 for the 500-meter dash with Ricky Duncan, Marco McClelland and Jonathan Johnson taking fifth, sixth and seventh-place. Unger Gathalaw took 10th in the event.

State also held its own in the distance events, with Robbie Howell finishing sixth in the 1K, Michael Fitzals taking fifth in the mile. State also had four runners in the top seven of the 3K, with Ryan Woods, Scott Wargau, Joseph Carrissani and

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## State women sweep season series with Tar Heels

◆ A 14-0 start proves to be too much to overcome as N.C. State downs No. 10 UNC-Chapel Hill 79-71.

TIM HUNTER  
Assistant Sports Editor

For the first time since 1991, the Wolfpack women's basketball team pulled off a sweep of arch-rival UNC-Chapel Hill by defeating the Tar Heels 79-71 in Carmichael Auditorium on Sunday. The Pack had already defeated UNC-CH 87-70 on Jan. 7 in Reynolds Coliseum.

Things seemed to be in the cards for N.C. State, as the 10th-ranked Tar Heels (22-5, 9-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) missed their first 16 shots, allowing the Pack to jump out to an insurmountable 14-0 lead. In fact, it wasn't until the 12:02 mark that UNC-CH's Jessica Gaspar scored the team's first basket.

"We really started the game off aggressively, playing hard on both ends of the court," Pack Head Coach Kay Yow said. "I thought that really helped us a lot. A great team like North Carolina is certainly going to have a run."

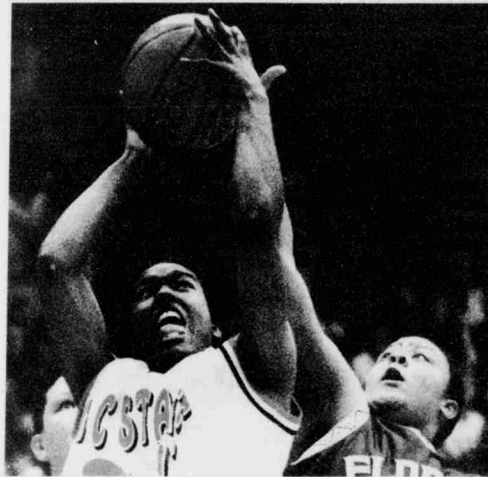
The stunned Heels were never able to recover from the early deficit and, despite several runs, never got closer than six points.

"We dug ourselves in a hole," Tar Heels Head Coach Sylvia Hatchell said. "Rebounding and missed shots killed us in this game. We got down so much it was hard to come out of it."

"When they were down, we wanted to jump on them," State sophomore Tynesha Lewis said of the Pack's quick start. "We knew they would start hitting sooner or later."

The Pack (14-8, 7-5 ACC) was paced by stellar performances from Lewis and junior Summer Erb, who scored 25 and 23 points, respectively. Erb also added 17 rebounds, and Lewis dished out four assists on the afternoon for State. Sophomore Monica Barnes narrowly missed a double-double, chipping in nine points and 15 rebounds.

However it was the play of senior LySchale Jones that



kept State in the game when UNC was making its run. "LySchale stepped up big time during that stretch," Lewis said. "When one of us is struggling, somebody else has to step up and LySchale did a great job of that today."

The Tar Heels went on an 11-4 run midway through the second half to close the gap to nine points, but Jones stopped the bleeding by scoring nine points in a row, capped off by a three-pointer with 6:52 remaining to put



The Pack improved its win streak to five with ACC victories over FSU and UNC-CH. State's win over the Tar Heels signalled the Pack's first season series sweep of Sylvia Hatchell's team since 1991, and solidified the Pack seniors chances for a fourth consecutive bid into the NCAA Tournament.

the Pack ahead by 14. "I just realized that there was nobody guarding me half of the time," Jones said of her play. "So I took some of my teammates' advice and shot the ball."

"LySchale is one of the most underrated players in the country," Coach Yow went on to say. "In practice she just knocks us out every day."

However, UNC-CH's Juana Brown (24 points) and Nikki Teasley (12) would not let the Tar Heels die, hitting

several baskets toward the end to keep the game close. State was able to hold off all of UNC's rallies for an important conference win, one that will certainly be a confidence booster heading into the final stretch of the regular season.

"I think it shows maturity, poise and confidence," Yow said of the team. "It's a tough battle out there between these two teams."

## Tigers fall in Reynolds

◆ Pack moves one step closer to postseason with win.

CHRIS TONELLI  
Staff Writer

Amen. N.C. State head coach Herb Sendek didn't feel that he had to elaborate on Justin Gainey's performance in the Wolfpack's 84-71 victory against Clemson this past Saturday.

Anyone who saw the game would agree. Gainey, en route to another career game, which seems to be a habit for him lately, was perfect. He was perfect from three-point range, perfect from the field and perfect from the free-throw line for 28 points.

The quiet junior led by example and let the fans do the talking as they chanted his name during the last of his 10 free throws.

Sendek did agree that justice was served for Gainey, who has "honored the process and worked hard day to day in order to improve." It's paying off.

It's also rubbing off.

Gainey's six rebounds were the second most for the Pack, who were embarrassed on the boards in their previous meeting with Clemson at Littlejohn.

At Reynolds, State held the Tigers to zero offensive rebounds in the first half, arguably the team's best 20 minutes all season.

"The recent switch back to straight man-to-man helped with blocking-out assignments," said fellow junior Tim Wells.

Both Gainey and Wells held Terrell McIntyre in check. The man-to-man scheme also allowed Ron Kelley and Kenny Inge to shut down Tom Wideman and Harold Jamison in the paint.

In their first meeting, both Wideman and Jamison had the way inside. On Saturday, Inge led the Pack with 8 boards.

Wells and Inge and the rest of the Wolfpack also fed off of Gainey's maturity and patience.

Like Gainey, Wells welcomes the leadership role.

"Someone has to say the things that people don't always want to hear, but need to be said, and I don't mind



Kenny Inge (above in white) led the Pack with eight rebounds.

doing it. As the other junior, I feel like I need to step up," said the guard.

Inge, after missing his first few outside shots, had the patience to change his game and take it inside, getting some great interior passing from Kelley.

"Clemson played a triangle zone which freed up Kenny (Inge) and Anthony (Grundty)," said Sendek after the game.

State took what the defense gave them, connecting on three alleyoops that had Reynolds rocking.

"Tonight we showed what we can do if we work as a complete team," Inge said.

The Pack showed team maturity in both halves. In the first half, the Pack survived a barrage of technicals and foul trouble for frontcourt-power Damon Thornton and leading scorer Adam Harrington to take a 19-point lead into halftime.

In the second half, they withstood Clemson's choppy tempo and never surrendered their lead.

When asked how the first back-to-back ACC wins would affect the Pack's conference standings or even possible NCAA selection, Sendek humbly said, "We're just preparing for Maryland on Wednesday."

## Governors Cup win

◆ N.C. State and UNC team up in gymnastics for Governor's Cup win.

JEREMY ASHTON  
Staff Writer

The Governor's Cup has come to North Carolina.

Sunday afternoon in Reynolds Coliseum, N.C. State gymnastics teamed with the University of North Carolina to defeat Towson State and the University of Maryland and bring the Governor's Cup to the state of North Carolina.

The good news did not stop there for the Wolfpack, as they edged out their Tar Heel counterparts by .350 points to win the team title with a season-high score of 193.550.

The win did not come without quite a bit of drama. The State gymnasts appeared to be nervous coming out of the gate and were in last place through the first two events, vault and uneven bars.

"Vaulting is our weak event, and we started on it. We actually did a good job on vaulting, but of the four teams, we're just the fourth team on vaulting," explained State Head Coach Mark Stevenson. "We went to bars, which is a good event for us, and we had three falls, two of them counted. That was a point and a half off of our team score."

The situation seemed grim as the Pack went into beam, but that was when it started to kick into high gear. Junior Maggie Haney and sophomores Monica Berry and Kara Charles all posted scores of 9.800 for the event to finish as part



The team of N.C. State and UNC-CH regained the cup.

of a four-way tie for first place with Towson's Liane Williams. That helped the team win the event and pull within striking distance.

Still, State needed an almost perfect performance on floor exercise to have a chance to win the meet, and that is exactly what it delivered. The team swept the first four individual places led by senior co-captain Stephanie Flanagan's 9.875, and all six Wolfpack gymnasts posted scores in excess of 9.650. The effort produced a score of 49.100 for the event, giving the team the come-from-behind win.

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## State 0-2 against Heels

◆ Wolfpack men and women fall to rival in swimming and diving; Johnson sets school record.

Sports Staff Report

The Wolfpack men held a lead in Friday night's swim meet against the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for eight events, but couldn't hold on until the end, falling 124-119 in the Pack's second straight conference meet decided in the final event.

Later that night, the Tar Heel women took the lead in the first event and never looked back, defeating N.C. State 182-118.

**Men**  
N.C. State sophomore Andy Johnson set a new school record and Willis Casey Natatorium record with a score of 343.20 points on the one-meter board. The previous school record of 340.05 was set over four years ago by Todd Smith, a three-time ACC Champion for the Wolfpack and diving coach John Chandler.

Johnson also won the three-meter competition. N.C. State senior Kevin Curtis finished second on both boards.

The Wolfpack started off the meet with a win in the 200 medley relay and extended its advantage to 14 points in the 1000m freestyle. Mark Eberly, Stephen Matthews, Richard Culbertson and Kevin Chipman took four of the top five spots in the event.

Matt Braid won the 200 freestyle, but the Tar Heels cut into the Pack's lead by placing three swimmers in the top four spots in the 50 sprint.

A win by UNC-CH's Chris Helin in the 200 Individual Medley left the Wolfpack's advantage at just three points, before Johnson's performance on the one-meter board.

Tim Haley and Walter Magnusson finished second in the 200 butterfly and the 100 freestyle, but the Tar Heels took their first lead of the evening with a one-two finish by Helin and Tom Schmelzer in the 200 backstroke.

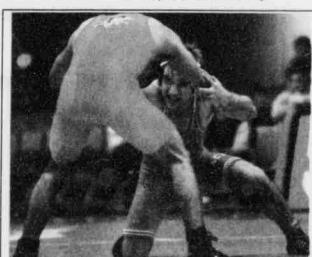
UNC-CH extended its lead with wins in the 500m freestyle and the 200 breaststroke, which Helin, Ethan Hall, and David Sliawinski swept.

Taking a fourteen-point lead into the final event, the Tar Heels hung on as the Pack's first and third place finishes in the 200 freestyle relay wasn't enough to regain the lead.

**Women**  
Marcia McKeel came through for the Pack, winning both the one- and 3-meter diving competitions, but the 18th ranked Tar Heels, who set two pool records were too much for State.

Freshman Sarah Kos picked up the Pack's only other individual win of the night, winning the 100m butterfly with a time of 57.70. Kos jumped out to a strong start, hitting the wall at the turn almost a half second ahead of anyone else.

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Greg Bauer (in red) won the decision at 141 lbs.

## Convincing win

◆ N.C. State evens season mark to 6-6.

Sports Staff Report

Big-time performances lead to wins. N.C. State's wrestlers were big time on Friday night, defeating Campbell 30-9 and improving to 6-6 overall on the season in dual matches.

N.C. State junior Lee Crocker started off the night with an 8-4 win over Joey Brillion in the 125-pound weight class.

After Damon Blackley picked up a win at 133 by for-

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◆ Rifle team finishes second, track and field excels over the weekend.

Sports Staff Report

**Rifle finishes second**

N.C. State's Rifle team finished second in a four-team competition last week, improving to 14-3 overall.

North Georgia won the competition, scoring 1444 points, followed by the Wolfpack, who tallied 1382. Clemson finished third and Georgia Tech was fourth.

Chris Rice led the Pack with a score of 361, finishing in third place overall. Wolfpack senior Chris Gardner finished in sixth place, with a score of 357, while freshmen Jason Rice and Jonathan Ray posted scores of 342 and 322, respectively. Junior Josh Reynolds also scored 322.

The Pack is back in action this weekend with a competition in Lexington, Virginia.

**Track and field stars over weekend**

The N.C. State track and field team competed in several meets over the weekend, finishing strong in each. On Saturday, several distance runners excelled against the nation's best in the Butler Cannon IV Classic. Chan Pons led the way finishing third in the 3,000(3K) meter run with a time of 8:01.49. The distance medley relay finished fifth overall, and Brendan Rogers also took fifth in the mile run. Abdul Alizindhi and Chris Dugan followed Pons in the 3K, taking sixth and ninth place, respectively.

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