



Runoff elections to be held

Runoff elections for student body president will be held today and Tuesday. The two candidates running are Chad Myers and Ricky Livingston.

In the election held last week, 688 votes were cast for Livingston, while Myers received 609.

Students may vote at any of the following locations: Fountain Dining Hall, the University Student Center, the Atrium, the Tunnel Inn C-Store, Syme C-Store, and Centennial C-Store. Voting booths will be open throughout the day.

UNC System elects new president

Molly Corbett Broad, former executive vice-chancellor and chief operating officer for the 23-campus system of the California State University System, was approved as the new president of the UNC system last Thursday.

Broad has a bachelor's degree in economics from Syracuse University and a master's degree in economics from Ohio State University. She is expected to begin work in July.

Privatization town meeting planned

A town meeting to update the campus community on privatization will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon today in Stewart Theater.

Questions may be submitted on cards prior to the meeting by calling Greg Holden, Human Resources, at 515-7258; or Neva Blackwell, Physical Plant, at 515-2181, extension 294.

Stress management workshop to be held

Maria Baldrige, of NCSU's Counseling Center, will host a stress management workshop at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Fourth Floor of Clark Hall (the Student Health Services Building). All students and faculty members are invited to attend.

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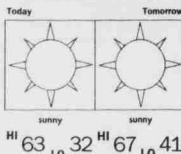
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Outside



Forum attracts prominent national leaders

U.S. House leader, Massachusetts gov. push distinct viewpoints

By PHILLIP REESE
 NEWS EDITOR

It was kind of like the Oscars, except everyone at N.C. State's McKimmon Center Friday was hoping to catch a glimpse of political bigwigs rather than movie stars. "I just can't wait to hear what Mr. Gephardt has to say," one lady in the front of the auditorium said, understating the feelings of a crowd hungry for a glimpse of the man many say has a good shot at the presidency in 2000.

And U.S. House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt did not disappoint the thousand or so gathered at the 12th annual Emerging Issues Forum. He talked like a man on the campaign trail, skimming over economics, the budget, education and NAFTA during the course of his speech.

Gephardt said the economic success the nation is currently enjoying should be taken in context. He said the average American has not been

able to reap the rewards of fresh economic growth.

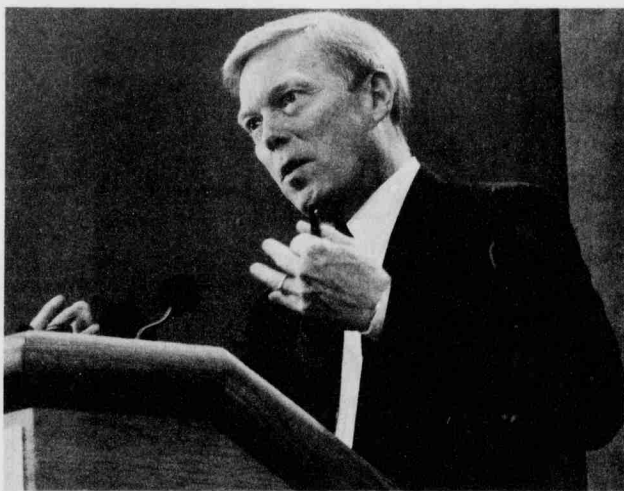
"Our standard of living is down. And that has consequences. The American worker has been engaged in a horrific struggle to figure out how to overcome this stagnant economy. Parents spend one-third less time with their children than they did 25 years ago."

Gephardt told the crowd, which included Alice Rivlin, the vice-chair of the Federal Reserve Board, that the Fed should not try to play around with the economy in order to control inflation.

"Right now our country is engaged in a huge experiment to get people off welfare, and if we decide as a country that unemployment cannot go below a certain percent, I am afraid we will snuff out the economic recovery we are in."

Gephardt also spent a lot of time talking about the North American

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U.S. House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt addresses a crowd at NCSU's McKimmon Center Friday.

White House Chief of Staff Bowles recalls roots, praises Clinton

By KRISTEN SPRULL
 STAFF WRITER

From one home-town boy to another, it looked like it might turn into an episode of *Andy Griffith*.

Governor Jim Hunt introduced Erskine Bowles, White House chief of staff, to a large crowd at N.C. State's McKimmon Center Thursday as a down-home N.C. boy who followed the footsteps of his famous father Skipper Bowles into the political arena — and made good.

Bowles lived up to the folksy introduction, interrupting himself several times to wonder aloud if his sister would make good on her threat of leaving the room when his speech got too boring. Between epithets, he spoke passionately and intelligently about his work in the Clinton White House.

Spontaneous applause burst forth from the audience when Bowles dared to say something no prominent politician since Michael Dukakis has said.

"We will [balance the budget] by reducing discretionary spending...and reducing unnecessary corporate loopholes," he said.

Bowles blamed stagnant wages in the job market on the country's budget deficit. He said deficits rob our economy of billions of dollars that could go to the private sector.

"We could do something about these stagnant wages which have been afflicting the country for the past 20 years," he said.

Before Clinton took office four years ago, Bowles said the country was in serious financial trouble. "There was a complete breakdown of fiscal responsibility in this country," he said.

Without naming names, Bowles indicted three Republican administrations as the major culprits behind the accumulation of the \$240 billion budget deficit that America car-

ried in 1992. "Of the \$250 billion deficit, three-fourths was accumulated in the 12-year period prior to Clinton's election," he said.

Bowles then cited the advances made during Clinton's first four years in the White House, describing a financial turnaround unparalleled since the Lincoln administration. "This is the first time we've had four years of budget deficit reduction in a row since the Civil War," he said.

Bowles said the second Clinton administration will continue to reduce deficit spending while expanding support for education and trade issues. He said 11.9 million new jobs were created in the last four years nationwide.

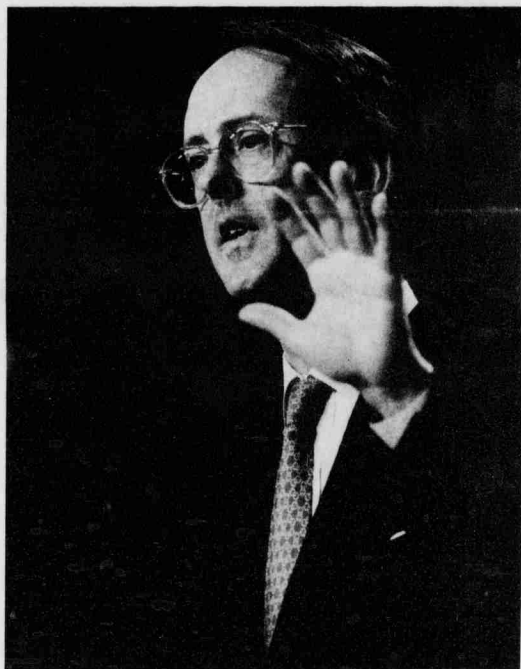
Two-thirds of the jobs created require training beyond high school, Bowles said. They also pay higher wages than average. Bowles said the only drawback to these great strides toward reducing unemployment and poverty is that "only one-half of the people entering the workforce today are even nominally equipped for these jobs."

Bowles said adult education is just as crucial to economic development as early childhood education. "The President wants adults to go back to school to get additional training to get the skills needed to get those jobs that will be created in the future."

He also said poor children deserve an equal shot at the American dream. "Every kid doesn't have two parents," he said. "We want to make sure they have access to a higher education."

Bowles spoke about foreign trade and eliminating tariffs on more than \$5 billion worth of trade. He said opening up foreign markets is essential to the nation's economic

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White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles makes a point during Thursday's forum.

Fraternity receives award

Phi Kappa Tau was recently rewarded for their efforts to improve the lives of local children.

By SHANNON UMBERGER
 STAFF WRITER

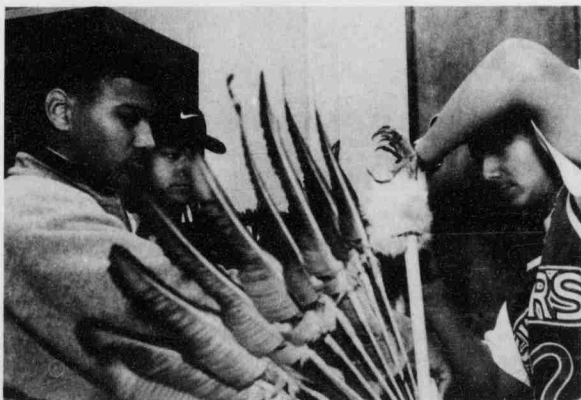
Everyone knows that fraternities often throw good parties. But once a year, one fraternity at N.C. State does away with the kegs, dance music, and party animals associated with typical college parties.

They replace these wild party symbols with punch bowls, Christmas carols, and Santa Claus. And not to impress pretty co-eds, but to offer happiness to local children.

In reward for their volunteer ef-

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Powwow time



Three high school students prepare a costume for a Native American Powwow held at NCSU Saturday.

ALBERT WHANGBO/STAFF

Professors discuss 'hot topic'

Faculty and students alike were given the opportunity to express their views on affirmative action at Thursday's "Hot Topics" forum.

By VICKI HOGLIN
 STAFF WRITER

What does affirmative action mean to you?

This question was raised Thursday at the second "Hot Topics" forum, sponsored by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. The purpose of the lecture series is to allow discussion between faculty members and students on pertinent issues that affect us all.

"The Impact of Affirmative

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Gephardt

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Free Trade Agreement. He said the agreement is economically sound, but morally corrupt.

"My view is that NAFTA has not worked in the correct fashion. I would argue that the U.S. has been very aggressive in trying to protect its properties. But we must be more aggressive in getting better human rights in foreign countries."

But Gephardt was not the only potential future president the stargazers at the McKimmon Center hoped to see. Massachusetts Governor William Weld, a person many expect will represent the Republican ticket in the next presidential election, also spoke.

And Weld's message was very different from Gephardt's. Weld focused on cuts of all kinds, including spending, regulatory and tax cuts.

Weld said he immediately began reducing the state government's role in the day-to-day affairs of private businesses in Massachusetts when he took office a few years ago. Since then, Massachusetts has saved \$149 million a year in capitol costs, Weld said.



Massachusetts Governor William Weld also spoke at Friday's Emerging Issues Forum. Many expect him to run for president in 2000.

Weld also initiated a number of tax cuts upon taking office, clipping the sales tax in financial services and the capitol gains tax in his state.

"When I came into office all was not well. We had fallen into the habit of deciding how much it wanted to spend each year, and then raising the money accordingly."

Weld said after he cut taxes and

government control, his state's economy boomed and unemployment fell sharply.

Weld said the secret to his state's success was his willingness to attack problems like inefficiency and wasteful government spending head on.

"You've got to keep pressing all the time. A state cannot go into a four corners defense and expect to prevail against the competition."

Bowles

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viability. "In the next 10 years, world trade will grow at three times the rate of the American economy in the Asian/Pacific region, in Latin America and in Russia," Bowles said. "The cost of inaction is high. If we don't act now our competitors will, believe me."

He said the most important lesson President Clinton learned during the last four years is that major changes in government policy cannot be implemented without bipartisan cooperation.

"We cannot achieve anything unless we are willing to work together in a bipartisan manner," Bowles said.

Before letting Bowles step down from the podium, NCSU Chancellor Larry K. Monteith presented the White House chief of staff with two NCSU t-shirts — one for Bowles and the other for the president.

A UNC-Chapel Hill graduate, Bowles used the opportunity to demonstrate the concept of bipartisan cooperation.

"My blood runs Carolina Blue," he said as he reluctantly accepted the gifts, "but I will wear this shirt from this university with great pride."

Aff. Action

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Action in Higher Education" was hosted by Mary Kurz and Dr. Rupert Nacoste, who focused on the legal and educational aspects of the controversial practice.

Kurz, who works with university counsel, explained that most of the controversy surrounding affirmative action does not stem from its goals of ensuring equal opportunity, changing attitudes in management and moving the obstacles of discrimination. It comes from the practice of preferential treatment of minorities to accomplish these goals.

Kurz outlined several court cases that have achieved national recognition regarding affirmative action in her presentation. Over the last 20 years, the Supreme Court has agreed to recognize affirmative action as a means of remedying past discrimination and fostering diversity.

This recognition continues to make a difference today, with diversity on the average college campus increasing from two percent to ten percent since the 1970s.

"Part of the problem is that we have forgotten that affirmative action was never an end in itself," said Nacoste, an associate professor of psychology. The

practice is effective as a means toward repairing the discriminations of the past and correcting the under-representation of minorities in higher education, he said.

The concern of admissions departments, said Nacoste, should be the acceptance of minority groups as they move into positions they were previously excluded from, rather than meeting a quota.

Students at the forum said affirmative action meant equal access, representation and the elimination of racism. There were, of course, some differences in opinion in the discussion that followed the lectures.

"I think affirmative action is a good idea as long as race or gender is not the only evaluation. It needs to be one of many aspects of the person that is looked at when being admitted into college," said Nicole Betterton, a junior in sociology.

Another student said affirmative action encourages those who use it to place people in particular classes, rather than treating each person as an individual.

"I don't agree with differentiating based on race. I am just a human, not black, white or 'other.' You can look at my background, interests or activities, but I do not want to be considered for anything based on race," said Stephanie Manning, a senior in zoology.

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James M. Lail



Listen to the people

■ If it's been said once, it's been said twice -- the ESA is evil.

You know a plan just isn't coming together too well when it's still being argued about two years later.

Case in point: the proposed basketball arena, the Entertainment and Sports Arena. The first column I ever wrote for Technician (back in 1995) was on how that big hole out by Carter-Finley Stadium is bad, while good of Reynolds Coliseum is good. Although my naiveness came through later in the column, saying as how both the Wolfpack basketball and football programs were in good hands, so to speak, I still managed to address an issue that in recent times has taken on a life of its own.

Sadly enough, the whole arena thing started off innocently enough. When Jim Valvano and then A.D. Willis Casey brought up the idea for a new arena over 10 years ago, it seemed like a valid idea -- a modern coliseum close to campus just for Pack basketball. Since that time, we have seen the idea spread like a virus into something almost totally separate from this university. Wake County, the city of Raleigh and some "important" Wolfpack boosters have helped to steer this plan way off course, all the while sending the price of the arena to astronomical proportions. But nonetheless, up to two weeks or so ago, it looked as if the arena had the okay.

Thank God for the N.C. State Faculty.

The same faculty that turned a deaf ear and its back on Wolfpack athletes the past seven or eight years stood up for the students of this university and basically said that they don't want this damn arena. They called for renovating Reynolds. All of a sudden, people are having second thoughts about the arena.

One thing that surfaced during the Faculty Senate's discussion of the arena was that the "little people" were not being noticed. Unless you have one hell of a part-time job and are donating \$50,000 annually to the university, you are part of the said little people. And I doubt you want the arena. I know of only one student that has admitted to wanting the arena-- and he promptly got his butt kicked in a Student Government race.

Now is the perfect opportunity for all of us to stand up and say what the faculty did. That is, expand Reynolds to about 16,000-plus, scrap the new arena plan, renovate Carter-Finley and then do more good things with the leftovers (renovate Doak Field, scholarships, etc.). The main point is that we MUST stay in Reynolds.

The entire nation saw the magic of Reynolds when State hosted West Virginia in the first round of the National Invitational tournament. Four days later, as the Mountaineers were playing Florida State, the ESPN announcers were still talking about it. After all, where else but Reynolds can the whole coliseum be so moved to do the wave?

Unfortunately, the Triangle (not NCSU) has once again been caught up in hockey fever with the Hartford Whalers whispering of moving here. With the area's history with hockey, I doubt the

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State sweeps past Maryland

■ The Pack keeps rolling in conference play.

By A.S. MARTIN
STAFF WRITER

The Wolfpack baseball team extended its win streak to 13 games and moved into a tie for second place in the conference this past weekend when the Pack, now 31-11, 10-5 in the ACC, swept the Maryland Terrapins in a three-game series at Doak Field.

Sunday at Doak was an afternoon to remember. The 28 Pack runs brought the team just one run shy of tying the school record for runs scored in a single game.

Sunday was also the day Wolfpack lead-off hitter Tom Sergio broke career records for base hits (324) and runs scored (266).

"It hasn't set in yet," Sergio said after the game, "but I'm sure after I graduate and am gone for a couple years, I can look back at [the records]. But right now I've got the monkey off my back. I can look forward to the next couple of games."

Also the school record holder for career stolen bases, Sergio snagged his 70th Sunday.

Six of Sunday's nine home runs were hit by Pack hitters. Brad

Piercy and Craig Lee both homered, while Scott Lawler and Stephen Wolff hit two apiece.

"I don't know what it is," Wolff said about his recent hitting improvements. "I'm swinging the bat the same. I guess I'm seeing the ball a little bit better now. Everybody's got streaks. I just need to keep it going."

Jake Weber went five-for-five and hit his 17th career triple to tie with Sergio for the school record in that category.

"We tease each other about [the record]," Weber said. "It's kind of fun."

Right-hander Clay Eason earned his seventh win.

On Saturday Brett Black (W, 6-4), who leads the ACC in complete games, pitched his fifth of the season, as State downed the Terps, 9-3.

The Terps got their three runs on eight hits, and Wolfpack defense was errorless. Five of Black's nine innings were of the three-up, three-down variety. With a strikeout-to-walk ratio of nearly ten to one, Black struck out seven and did not issue a walk.

"The fastball was pretty good. I could spot it pretty much wherever I wanted it tonight," Black said. "To me it feels like I can put the ball wherever I want, especially on the outside corner. It feels like I could stay there all night long."

Offensively, the Wolfpack managed five hits off Terps freshman left-hander Joe Hart (L, 1-1), who pitched the first two innings. The Pack scored three runs in the second when Chris Combs walked, David Trexler singled, and Jimmy Slaughter sent Combs home with a single. A sacrifice bunt from Jason Smith advanced Trexler and Slaughter, then Sergio's base hit brought both runners home.

The Pack got four more hits and scored six more runs off senior right-hander Usman Shakir.

In Friday's game right-hander Kurt Blackmon (W, 4-2) got his first conference win, 5-4, against the Terps' ace righty Brandon Agamennone (L, 3-4), last week's ACC Pitcher of the Week.

The Terps' lead-off man Eric Beer was the first to score in the first inning, after an error by Sergio at second let him on base. Sergio evened things up in the first with a home run, his 12th of the season.

In the fifth, the Wolfpack scored two runs when Sergio walked and Lee's double sent him to third. Piercy brought them both home with a single to get ahead 3-1.

The Terps scored a run in the sixth, then two more in the seventh. All four Terrapin runs were unearned.

With the Pack behind 4-3 in the



Technician File Photo
N.C. State senior Stephen Wolff hit two home runs in Sunday's 28-9 win over Maryland. The victory pushes the Pack's record to 10-5 (ACC). State is currently second in the conference, behind Georgia Tech, who stands at 11-1. The Pack will face off against Davidson on Tuesday at 7 p.m. under the lights of Doak Field.

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Wolfpack golfers struggle as Clemson dominates PING Invitational

■ Weather and opponents stop N.C. State at its own game.

By SCOTT SNYDER
STAFF WRITER

The eye of the tiger was seen this weekend, as Clemson cruised to the eighth PING Intercollegiate team and individual golf titles.

N.C. State and North Carolina hosted the tournament at MacGregor Downs Country Club, in Cary.

The Wolfpack came in with high

aspirations, despite having to face seven of the top ten teams in the nation.

"There are a lot of good teams here, but we are also a good team. We just have to come out and play our game and not worry about who else is out here," State co-captain Will Huntley said.

The Pack finished the tournament in 10th, the same position they held after play on Saturday.

Tim Clark and co-captain James Bunch led the Pack with a par round of 72 on Sunday. Clemson were the team victors shooting a

weekend total 855, to set a new PING Intercollegiate record by four shots.

Clemson's Richard Coughlan, who started the day in a tie for third, won the individual title, shooting a six-under-par 66 for the day, and finishing with a 210.

The Tarheels had a solid weekend to finish fourth overall, with an 873.

The final team standings were Clemson at the top followed by UNLV. Texas Christian tied with Oklahoma State for third. UNC, Wake Forest and Duke took fifth, sixth and seventh. East Tenn. State,

Arizona, Tulsa, followed, with NCSU, and Virginia rounding out the field.

Mother Nature played a major role on Saturday, when the bulk of the tournament took place. With her rain and gusty winds, not only did she force players to dress in Gore-tex suits, but more importantly to change their strategies.

A constant, sometimes heavy, rain fell all morning, and scores rose along with MacGregor Lake. Birdies were hard to come by, as all of State's players finished over par in the first round.

Sophomore All-American Clark, along with Stewart Whiteford, led the Wolfpack with a plus four round of 76, but the Pack was in 10th place going into the second 18.

State coach Richard Sykes refused to use the weather as an excuse.

"If one is alert, and focused, the rain is simply a nuisance," Sykes said.

State produced a similar performance in the second round. Clark and Whiteford led the way

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Pack men's tennis too much for Maryland

■ The men's tennis defeats Maryland this weekend then drops two matches.

By JAMES CURLE
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The N.C. State men's tennis team captured its first conference win of the year with a

6-1 trouncing of Maryland on Friday.

The Pack swept all three matches against the Terps in doubles play.

The No. 1 pairing of Roberto Bracone and Shaun Thomas dispatched Dale Cathell

and Collin Parker with a score of 8-4.

In the No. 2 match, State's Dave Bolick and Keith Salmon finished their match with a 8-5 win over Maryland's Jeff Wang and James Legat.

At the third seed, Jeff Smith and Devang Desai bested the effort of the Terps' T.J. Klier and Jay Kimmel.

In singles play, State's No. 1 seed Bracone, currently ranked 85th in the country, handily defeated Maryland's Dale Cathell in straight sets, 6-2, 6-4.

Desai had a bit more trouble at the No. 2 seed, after dropping the first set 4-6, he fought back to claim the second two 6-0, 6-1.

Other winners for the Pack in singles were No. 4 Smith, No. 5 Thomas and No. 6 Hayes Calvert.

The only loss of the match for State was a tough-fought No. 3 singles match. Maryland's Klier took two straight matches from Salmon, 7-6 in the first set and 7-5 in the second.

The win broke a three-game losing streak for the Pack, but more importantly gave them their first conference win of the season.

"Maryland's a better team than they've been in the past, and they've played a lot of teams tough this year," tennis coach Eric Hayes said. "We played extremely well. Keith Salmon had a tough loss, but everyone else showed up and took care of details."

The Pack couldn't keep the momentum going, however, in its Saturday match against Virginia.

Held at UNC-Chapel Hill's indoor courts due to rain, the men's team fell 6-1, with Bracone recording the only win for State.

Bracone continued his string of strong singles performances in the No. 1 seeded match with Virginia's Lebovitz. After winning 6-2 in the first set, "The Machine" hummed right along to a 6-3 second set.

UVA swept the Pack in all three matches in doubles competition. The duo of Scott Lebovitz and Justin Smith dispatched of Bracone and Thomas at the No. 1 seed by the score of 8-3.

On Sunday, the tennis team hosted the Florida State Seminoles in what would be their third match in as many days. Florida State won the match early on, and decided to default it's final three singles



PHOTO COURTESY OF NCSU SPORTS INFO.
State senior Laura Cowman.

■ State cruises to fourth win in six matches.

By K. GAFFNEY
SPORTS EDITOR

It may have rained on Laura Cowman's parade, but the N.C. State senior refused to let Mother Nature ruin her day as she helped the Pack gain its fourth victory in its past six tries.

It was senior weekend at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex, and Cowman, State's only senior tennis player, was scheduled to play her last home match on Saturday.

The pouring rain negated the home court advantage, moving the women's match against Furman-- as well as the men's match with Virginia--to the indoor courts at UNC-Chapel Hill. She may have had to play on the road, but Cowman didn't skip a beat.

The senior out of Charlotte dropped her opening set in the No. 4 singles match, but came back to take the next two sets, 6-1, 6-1.

In No. 1 doubles, Cowman paired up with third year teammate Blair Sutton for the first time in her career, downing Furman's top duo, 8-5.

Pack tennis stomps Furman

"They are really close friends," State coach Jenny Garrity said of Cowman and Sutton. "They had never gotten the chance to play together in three years, so I figured I would give them a shot."

In No. 1 singles, Sutton took the match with ease, needing only 30 minutes to dispatch her opponent, according to Garrity.

No. 2 player Nina Bonacic-- and No. 3 Marissa Gildemeister--who has come on strong in her freshman year--had little trouble in their respective matches, as well.

Francie Berragan also battled it out and gave the Pack a win in the No. 5 singles position.

"I think that the true sign of great players is when they find a way to win even though they aren't playing well," Garrity said. "I think that is what Francie did tonight, and that is irrefragable."

State's only losses in the 7-2 victory were in No. 6 singles, where State freshman Elizabeth Perry found herself overmatched by her opponent, and in the third doubles position.

With Brie Glover still recovering from an injury, and the Wolfpack made the decision before the match that the freshman's ankle was too sore to risk in a match which State had already won.

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HOE TERADA/SNAPP
N.C. State men's tennis downed Maryland for it's first ACC win.

Lail

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Whalers are coming. But talk is all that is needed for a handful of people to express the need for a new arena.
 Raleigh and Wake County do need a spacious, comfortable place to hold conventions and other events. NCSU needs a sweaty, loud, obscene and tradition-filled place for basketball. This university should take the money it donated to the arena and put into more closer-to-home ventures. Let the city and county have their arena.
 Let us have Reynolds.

James M. Lail is a senior in English, designation LWE, not like those wussies in LAN. He's a real man. If you want to learn more about the smc of LWE, write him at mantl@sma.sca.ncsu.edu.

Pack

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eight, Piercy got on base with a single. Wolff also singled, then with Josh Ballard running for Wolff, both runners advanced on a wild pitch. Matt Postell batted in both for a Wolfpack lead.
 "The only thing I was trying to do was get a hit up the middle and get a run in," Postell said.
 In the Terrapin half of the ninth, Kevin Haberbusch was hit by a pitch, then a sacrifice bunt advanced him. Eason took the mound with one out and runners at the corners.
 Casey Trout was up next, and

with the count full, he walked to load the bases. Eason sent the next two batters down swinging, earning the save.
 "The curve ball was in the dirt tonight," Eason said. "I was probably throwing a little too hard. But I had the fastball and that kept them off balance."
 Friday's game was Blackmon's first ACC win this season.
 "It's just a matter of staying consistent now," Blackmon said.
 "We're playing so good now, all the pitcher's got to do is go out there and throw strikes."
 Blackmon had also pitched first in the three-man weekend rotation against Florida State two weeks ago.

Coming up in Wednesday's Technician:
 Baseball coverage
 Men's basketball recruits
 Spring Sports Festival Preview
 Big Four Sports Wrap-up

ACC Baseball

Team	W	L	Percentage
Georgia Tech	11	1	.967
N.C. STATE	10	5	.667
Florida State	10	5	.667
Clemson	9	6	.600
Duke	8	10	.444
Wake Forest	7	11	.389
Maryland	5	10	.333
Virginia	5	10	.333
North Carolina	4	11	.267

Tennis

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matches against the Pack for various reasons to give FSU the 4-3 win.
 The match would prove to be a heated one, not only in the level of competition but verbally, as well.
 Late into Bracone's first set against Ty Braswell, several close calls got State's top seed fuming, and he let Braswell know it.
 "They want to win so badly sometimes that they might see balls that are in or out and the other player might confront him," Hayes said. "It was a hot match today, people's emotions tend to get the best of them."
 Bracone held on to win the first set, and Braswell promptly decided to default the match after that point.
 "I think he knew he was going to lose," Bracone said after the match. "He decided to call it quits since our team had already lost. He didn't want to keep running out there the way I hit him running."
 The Pac: finishes the season 7-16 overall and 1-7 in the conference.

Up coming N.C. State Sporting Events:

April 15th, Baseball home vs. Davidson, 7pm
 April 16th, Baseball @. UNC-Wilmington, 7pm
 April 17th-20th ACC Spring Sports Festival, Men's and Women's tennis, Golf, and Track and Field at the ACC Championships in Atlanta Georgia

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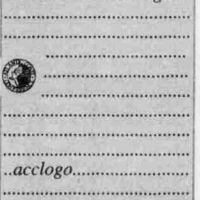
again, with each improving to a one over par 73.
 Both players had birdie opportunities, but like many others, seemed perplexed with the wet, yet quick greens.
 "The greens were fast on Friday, and they were still fast today," Huntley said.
 While puddles deep enough to cover one's foot formed in fairways, the MacGregor greens remained a worthy opponent to all.
 Coach Sykes was disappointed, but not without hope.
 "We played the same way we have all year, with three decent scores, two bad ones, and no good ones. I can understand finishing tenth with this type of competition level, but not when we play poorly," Sykes said.
 The fourth ranked Clemson Tigers were the day's top squad, shooting a 575, and building an 11 stroke lead going into the final 18 on Sunday.
 Wake Forest's Todd Lynch shot a 141 for the day, to lead all players.
 The tournament began Friday with a College-Amateur shoot-out that helped to keep everyone relaxed.
 "This is just for fun and to let everyone get used to the course," the Pack's Brian Tutuch said.
 State's freshman standout Whiteford and his group had the best net score of the day, posting a 107.

Congratulations to the 1997 Graduates and Alumnae of the Alpha Kappa Chapter of Chi Omega!

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- Meredith Jones
- Ellen Lambeth
- April Mineo
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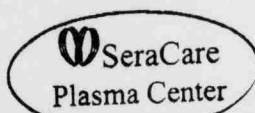
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Movie soundtracks help sell two new releases

■ Two new films join a long line of soundtrack sellers.

By KELLY MARKS
FEATURES EDITOR

A recent trend has been developing in Hollywood. Perhaps it's another phenomenon in a long line of marketing ploys. Perhaps it's merely a quirk of astrological coincidence. Whatever the cause is, Hollywood has begun to produce good movies with equally good soundtracks. Noting the recent popularity of soundtracks like those from "Pulp Fiction," "Trainspotting" and "Forrest Gump," begs the question, "Why?"

The movie industry has always relied on music to set the mood or intensify the dramatic action in films. However, these compilations have never enjoyed the popularity or monetary draw that they are currently. In the past few years, a variety of films, from the action adventure "Batman" to the romantic comedy "French Kiss," have jumped on the soundtrack bandwagon. Movie previews have become ads for compact discs and recording artists have become as crucial to a film's success as its stars.

One reason for this sudden surge in sales could be due to the diverse gathering of artists represented. A soundtrack can bring together rap, rock and country because a movie's theme ties the songs together. Also, soundtrack songs invoke memories of individual movie scenes, allowing listeners to recall their favorite moments in the film.

This sparks another debate: Does the movie make the soundtrack, or do the songs make the movie? Two recent releases might give insight. The first of which is the soundtrack to "Inventing the Abbotts." Filled with flowing instrumentals and '50s throwbacks, the CD reflects on the era in which the film is set. The movie is the story of three beautiful and wealthy girls and their relationships with two brothers from the wrong side of the tracks. Realistically portraying the time period is crucial to the film's underlying message about the 1950s being a time of social rebellion and changing ideas. The music is the convincing factor.

Among other things, the soundtrack features several compositions from Michael Kamen, a composer known for both



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John Cusack in "Grosse Pointe Blank" and Liv Ullmann in "Inventing the Abbotts," two new releases with soundtracks that steal the show.



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Web, e-mail helping both students, professors with homework hassles

■ Students can now take their tests on the World Wide Web.

TECH TOO STAFF REPORT

A new program seeks to eliminate the hassle of homework and quizzes, from a grading standpoint at least. Thanks to a development by Alton Banks, a N.C. State professor, and two of his students, for the past two semesters, Banks' students have been submitting their homework via the Internet.

The program, dubbed the Quiz Development System, or QDS, combines the flexibility of Netscape and a software package to bring quizzes or homework to students at any time, wherever they have access to the Internet.

Once a student has logged into a computer with a password and completed the homework, it is submitted to the main computer. The program then grades it and returns it to the student immediately. Answers to any

missed questions are explained with the returned assignment, and the grades are stored on the main computer.

As an added perk, students with any additional questions can e-mail the teacher directly. Each student receives a copy of the corrected homework with the inquiry.

Banks got the idea for the program after decades of dealing with the nightmare of assigning, correcting and returning work to the hundreds of students in his chemistry lectures. He felt that there had to be a better way.

Impressed by the versatility and accessibility of the Internet, Banks enlisted two undergraduate computer science majors and began his project.

What began as a simple solution to a monotonous daily task has become an award-winning educational tool. This Monday, Banks will demonstrate the wonders of QDS at the American Chemical Society meeting in San Francisco.

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Raleigh Little Theatre production of 'Glass Menagerie' opens to full house

■ Inner turmoil and family conflict highlights a classic Williams' play.

By CHRISTINE OLDHAM
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Raleigh Little Theatre is currently presenting "The Glass Menagerie," the famous play by Tennessee Williams. The play, one of Williams' finest dramas, is a "memory play" that relates the story of the dysfunctional Wingfield family. The play is told from the perspective of the son, Tom, who works in a factory and longs to escape the daily grind by getting away from his family. However, he can't, as he is responsible for his loving, yet annoying and manipulative, mother and his crippled sister.

His mother was deserted by Tom's father earlier in life and fears that Tom will abandon her as well. She also fears that her daughter, Laura, will remain alone due to her terminal shyness. This is what motivates Tom to invite a "gentleman caller," Jim, to dinner, leading towards the climax of the play. The caller and Laura spend an enjoyable evening together, but the idea of their marriage is one built on a fantasy which shatters despite Jim's All-American charm.

The play takes its name from a collection of glass animal figurines that Laura keeps. The Glass Menagerie first opened in late 1944 in Chicago, then moved on to New York and instant success. It won the 1945-46 N.Y. Drama Critics Circle Award and has enjoyed four major revivals since its premiere.

Raleigh Little Theatre has

produced the play twice before, once in 1948 and once in 1964. The 1948 production introduced an actress to Raleigh named Saravette Royster (nee Trotter) as the shy, retiring daughter Laura.

Royser has returned in this year's production with a new role, that of the annoying, nagging mother, Amanda. It is a role she plays very well. The daughter is played by Ami Bossi, and Seth A. Blum is Tom. Christopher R.P. Weaver plays the gentleman caller, Jim.

Never having seen a Tennessee Williams play performed on stage before, I was really looking forward to the production. It wasn't disappointed with the acting, which was very professional, especially on the part of Trotter, despite a few stumbles with the lines. The set was

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Your Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) — Be tactful with higher-ups and avoid raising controversial topics. News or a visitor from afar will brighten up your mood toward the end of the week. Creative types will feel truly inspired over the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) — Guard against domestic upsets early in the week. Intriguing news comes from afar. Partners work well together as a team. This weekend, creative work is especially favored.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — An ethical matter takes up some of your time this week. You're liable to buy something out of the ordinary when shopping later in the week. You'll

make a good impression at a business meeting.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Intense feelings could mar romantic prospects this week, but your intuition is a valuable asset in business affairs. On the job, you're efficient and mentally sharp. Much progress is made.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23) — Stay clear of unscrupulous types in financial dealings this week. Agreements are easily reached with others and cooperation rules this week. You're more spontaneous than usual this weekend and socializing is a plus.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) —



You may feel stymied by a work problem, but a solution will be found by week's end.

Home and money-tary interests come to the fore. Investigate investment options.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — A partner has an inspirational effect on you. You'll be enjoying fun times together toward the latter part of the week. A private talk relates to

money. Be moderate in pleasure seeking this weekend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Though you may feel uncomfortable about one work situation this week, you'll still get much accomplished. Time by yourself this weekend leads to innovative and inspired thinking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Try to avoid an early-week contest of wits with a relative. You'll make a great impact at a group meeting later on. Innovative moves pay off for you in business this week.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Someone at work may ask you to bend the rules this week, but it's best

that you do not comply. You may run into friends unexpectedly toward the end of the week. Partners are in sync this weekend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Something you overhear may upset you early in the week. New insights come about in a project that's been on the back burner for some time. Romance and creativity are happily highlighted.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Success comes through a behind-the-scenes business move this week. Family matters are rewarding, but a difficulty about money could arise with a friend.

Soap opera update

All My Children: Frederick told Maria that Erica is hiding something. Esther told her she knows Maria is Sonya's mother. Trevor spoke to Amanda about Janet. Pierce proposed to Brooke while Ms. Vargas lurked outside. Later, she gave Jack a manuscript and he offered to take it to Brooke and suggested she meet Peter Riley.

Another World: In Texas, Vicky found out about Bobby. Chris told Jake he suspected Joe was on the take. Cindy gave Grant the antidote and warned him what could happen if he's found to be sane. Later Grease started to strangle Grant. Cindy found his (apparently!) lifeless body with a stunning suicide note. Vicky ran into a roadblock in her investigation.

The Bold And The Beautiful: Ridge was taken back into custody after he confronted Grant about lying that he was the shooter. Clarke cautioned Darla not to tell anyone that he was the last person to see Grant before the shooting. Maggie was upset when James went to a childbirth class with Sheila. Felicia came home to be with the family after learning about Ridge's arrest. Maggie insisted to Curtis that she intended to have a happy marriage with him. Eric got Lauren to admit she broke off with him because of her friendship with Stephanie. Hunter discussed the Grant shooting case with Ridge.

with J.L. King. As Bo and Hope awaited the results of Shawn-D's surgery following his shooting by Viper, King noticed the closeness between them, and later tested him by ordering him to give Billie an engagement ring. Stefano arranged for a secret room to be built to sequester Susan.

General Hospital: Sonny had another run-in with Taggart. Bobbie's insecurities about Stefan mounted over his feelings about Katherine. Jason told Sonny he suspected Dorman was linked to the drugs. Luke and Lucky made a pact about Lucky's working at the club.

Guiding Light: Annie panicked when she realized something's wrong with her pregnancy. Later, she revealed how she and Alan manipulated Reva into accepting her as her sister. Josh surprised Reva by saying he knows she had a change of heart. While Buzz tried to get Frank to put Jeffrey out of commission, Jeffrey told Jenna he won't let anyone else have her.

The Young And The Restless: Noah was resuscitated. Josh told an overjoyed Nick and Sharon that their baby's heart stopped because of a lung infection. Olivia denied Malcolm's assertion that she had fallen in love with Neil. Grace and Tony invited Cassie to come back with them to Genoa City and meet some people. With Ryan showing his reluctance to reconcile with Nina, she realized she needed help and called Chris. Hope choked on a piece of food. Kurt took a knife off of the table and performed an emergency tracheotomy. He later admitted that he'd be a surgeon.

E-mail

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The co-writers, senior Andrew Puch, from Pittsburgh, and sophomore Paul Fisher, a native of Winston-Salem, have taken the program a step further. Inspired by the success of the software, the two have started their own company, OryxSoft, and have licensed QDS to Saunders College Publishing, a subsidiary of publishing giant Harcourt Brace & Co. The special Saunders version of QDS is packaged with several different chemistry textbooks.

If teachers like what they see, they'll soon be able to create their own questions. With consumer

demand, OryxSoft plans to sell the software, which is written in Java. The software will be available for distribution beginning Aug. 1.

Puch and Fisher did the programming on their own computers, using a SPARC workstation provided by NCSU's College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences to run the software for Banks. Neither NCSU nor Banks profits from the software, but the university will receive the latest version of QDS free because of Banks' participation in the project.

A demonstration of the quizzing software is available by clicking on the chemistry web demo at <http://www.saunderscollege.com>. OryxSoft's website can be accessed at <http://www.oryxsoft.com>.

Movies

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his classical and pop orchestrations. He has written the score for the Grammy winning "Everything I Do, I Do It For You" from "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves" and received Academy Award, Grammy and Golden Globe nominations for "Have You Ever Really Loved A Woman" from "Don Juan De Marco." His work on "Inventing the Abbotts" produces sensitive and lingering melodies that highlight the movie's most sentimental moments.

Opening this past weekend, the second movie/soundtrack duo is "Grosse Pointe Blank." This story of a hit man (played by John Cusack) who returns to his 10-year high school reunion and the girl he stood up at the prom is set against such delightful numbers as the

Violent Femmes' "Blister in the Sun" and "We Care A Lot" by Faith No More.

The highly energetic and retro soundtrack compliments the movie's edgy comedic plot. It makes sense that at a reunion for the Class of 1986, you're bound to hear cult 1980s classics like "Under Pressure" from David Bowie and Queen, and "Let My Love Open the Door" from Pete Townshend. However, the songs served a greater purpose than selling a few CDs — they seemed to feed off of the emotion of Cusack's character, paralleling his moods.

A movie without music has the power to stand on its own, and a good CD doesn't need a feature-length film to promote it. However, hand in hand, the two mediums work together nicely to make the cinematic experience a lot more enjoyable and profitable.

Theatre

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also very well designed and the lighting definitely added to the mood (If you see it, you'll know why).

The only irritating aspect of the play was that it was drama from a different time, and as a '90s woman I just wanted to yell at the daughter to have a little self-confidence and the mother to chill out. I managed to restrain myself, though, and instead appreciated the character of Tom, who had the attitude and humor of the typical sarcastic college student. All in all, as much a critic has said before, this was a great play and a great production of it.

The play opened to a full house on April 11, and is scheduled to play at 8 p.m. on April 16-19 and 23-27, and at 3 p.m. April 20 and 27. A language interpreter will be available on Wednesday, April 16, and audio description is available on Sunday, April 27. Call 919-821-3111 for ticket information.

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Budget deadline set

■ The White House and lawmakers face a self-imposed crunch on the budget decision process.

By ERIC PIANIN and CLAY CHANDLER
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Declaring this week to be a "make it or break it" phase in this year's budget negotiations, leaders from Congress and the Clinton administration Sunday promised an all-out push to forge an agreement that would wipe out the deficit, cut taxes and spare the country another year of partisan brinkmanship.

White budget negotiators from both sides said such a deal was possible, they also acknowledged huge differences over tax and spending priorities.

"It won't be easy," said White House budget director Franklin Raines, appearing on ABC's "This Week." House Budget Committee Chairman John R. Kasich, R-Ohio, declared there were "dramatic differences" separating the two sides. "Frankly, it may be a bridge too far," Kasich said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "I just don't know."

After nearly three months of on-again, off-again bargaining, the Republicans and the White House are still pretty much where they were a year ago. There is a growing sentiment on both sides that time is running out and that they should either cut a deal or give up trying.

To get a deal by week's end — or at least make enough progress to

keep the talks alive — negotiators must resolve longstanding differences over a handful of basic issues.

They must reach consensus on the size and scope of reductions in Medicare; resolve differences over the president's spending initiatives for new domestic programs such as expanded health care for children and restoring welfare benefits for disabled immigrants; and work out a compromise on a package of tax cuts.

Tax questions remain among the most intractable.

White House and congressional negotiators are considering gross tax cuts ranging from \$98 billion to \$177 billion. Both sides favor a \$500 per child tax credit for families as well as a reduction in the capital gains tax and new incentives to expand participation in tax-favored Individual Retirement Accounts.

But the president's plan is more narrowly targeted, restricting the child credit to less affluent families with children, and the capital gains tax reduction would go exclusively to home owners.

President Clinton also is pushing for a host of new tax breaks for college students, about which Republican leaders have expressed misgivings.

With those disputes still festering, Congress has rarely been further behind in the budget process. Usually, by now, both the House and Senate have completed work on drafts of the budget for the coming year, and leaders from the two chambers have begun resolving their differences.

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NEWS

Levitating Frogs?

■ Scientists claim they have successfully floated a frog in mid-air.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON — British and Dutch scientists say they have succeeded in floating a frog in air — using a magnetic field a million times stronger than that of the Earth.

And, they say, there is no reason why larger creatures, even humans, shouldn't perform the same gravity-defying feat.

"It's perfectly feasible if you have a large enough magnetic field," said Peter Main, professor of physics at Nottingham University, one of the British scientists who collaborated with colleagues at the University of Nijmegen to create the first levitating amphibian.

Their endeavors are reported briefly in the current issue of the British magazine New Scientist.

To hold up the frog, the field had to be a million times that of the Earth, the scientists said. Only then was it strong enough to distort the orbits of electrons in the frog's atoms.

"If the magnetic field pushes the frog away with sufficient force you will overcome gravity and the frog will float," Main said.

The trick doesn't only work on frogs: Scientists say they have made plants, grasshoppers and fish float in the same way.

"Every ordinary object, whether it be a frog, a grasshopper or a sandwich, is magnetic, but it's very rare to see such a spectacular demonstration of this," said Main.

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Political fund-raising under attack

■ Gingrich puts pressure on Attorney General Reno to seek an independent counsel probe of Democratic fund-raising.

By JOHN E. YANG
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said Sunday that Attorney General Janet Reno should be called before Congress to testify under oath if she does not tell Congress on Monday that she will seek an independent counsel to investigate alleged abuses in Democratic Party fund-raising. Gingrich declared he has no confidence in Reno as attorney general and, when asked if she should resign, said: "We'll know tomorrow" — the deadline for Reno to respond to a request from congressional Republicans that she call for an independent counsel in the matter.

"The evidence mounts every day of law-breaking in this administration," Gingrich said on "Fox News Sunday."

"If she can look at the day-after-day revelations about this administration and not conclude it's time for an independent counsel, how can any serious citizen have any sense of faith in her judgment?"

Late last week, the indications were that Reno, likely would not seek a counsel in the case, which already is being investigated by career Justice Department prosecutors, but aides emphasized no final decision had been made.

If she decides not to ask a three-judge panel to name an independent counsel, Gingrich said, Reno needs to explain her decision. "She needs to answer in public, she needs to answer, I think, under oath," he said.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, said Reno "becomes a major issue" if she does not call for an independent counsel.

"The conflict of interest, both apparent and real, it seems to me, would necessitate her choosing an independent counsel," he said on ABC's "This Week." "If she doesn't, then I think there's going to be a swirl of criticism that's going to be, I think, very much justified."

Justice Department spokesman Bert Brandenburg dismissed such talk. "Unfortunately, this has become a battle between law and politics," he said in a telephone interview. "The Justice Department will adhere to the law."

Reno routinely asks the career prosecutors looking into the matter whether any development requires the appointment of an independent counsel, according to Brandenburg. So far, they have not said that an independent counsel is indicated, he said.

The law says the attorney general must ask for an independent counsel if there is specific, credible information of criminal wrongdoing by top administration officials, including the president, vice president and Cabinet officers; the head of a presidential election or re-election campaign; or anyone else for whom it would be a conflict

of interest for the Justice Department to investigate.

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry J. Hyde, R-Ill., said an independent counsel was needed to maintain public confidence in the investigation. "In-house investigations, as honorable as they might well be, don't sell the public on the fact that they are independent," he said on ABC.

While Hyde said he retains his confidence in Reno as attorney general, Gingrich was sharply critical of her for telling White House officials that the FBI suspected China was planning to make illegal campaign contributions. Reno has said she telephoned national security advisor Anthony Lake, failed to reach him and never called back.

"If you're the top law enforcement officer of this country... wouldn't you say to the White House, 'Gee, the president and the secretary of state ought to know we think the Chinese communists may be trying to buy the American election?'" he said.

House Majority Leader Richard Cheney, R-Texas, suggested that Reno is a victim of the political pressures within the administration.

"This is a person that would like to be professional and responsible in their job and that makes her out of place in this administration," Arney said on CBS's "Face the Nation." "She is in a hopeless situation... If I were Janet Reno, I would just say, 'I can't function with people that stand with these standards of conduct and behavior and I'm leaving.'"

Unexpected findings re-ignite debate on low-level radiation

■ No one knows exactly what effects low-level radiation have on the human body.

By JOBY WARRICK
The Washington Post

The statistics seem clear and compelling, and completely at odds with common sense: In Japan, site of the world's only nuclear attacks, radiation victims are outliving their peers.

It's one of the stranger twists in 50 years of scientific monitoring of atom bomb survivors. As expected, the people closest to ground zero have died in high numbers of cancers that began in a white-hot flash of nuclear radiation. But as one moves farther from the blast site, the death rate plunges until it actually dips below the baseline.

And so, oddly, people with limited radiation exposure appear to live longer than neighbors who had none at all.

The discrepancy has several possible explanations, but none of

them have quelled the growing debate over what the data seem to suggest: Could low-level radiation — regulated in this country and elsewhere as a powerful carcinogen — be less dangerous than commonly believed?

The question, which has divided scientists and academicians for years, has flared again because of a number of provocative new studies that seem to refute prevailing views about low-level radiation, the relatively low-grade sort found in some kinds of medical waste or in the natural radon gas found in many homes.

"It's like a religious dispute," said Steven Galison, the Energy Department's chief medical officer. "It's very, very intense."

The issue has broad implications, not just for nuclear workers but also for ordinary consumers and taxpayers.

If the government relaxed radiation exposure standards, by even a small degree, it could result in enormous savings for utilities, hospitals and other businesses that use radioactive

materials. Taxpayers could save billions of dollars if cleanup standards were eased for the dozens of lightly contaminated sites around the country.

There's no sign that such a change is imminent. Some long-term epidemiological studies continue to suggest risks from even the most minute quantities of radiation. But others are challenging the conventional wisdom in ways that are becoming harder to ignore.

In the United States, in contrast to other western countries, fear of radiation has led to public rejection of nuclear power as an energy source. It also fuels public suspicion about such potentially beneficial technologies as food irradiation, which can kill deadly pathogens, they say.

"In the United States we have taken the position that radiation is so dangerous we don't want anything to do with it," said David P. Hickman of the Federal Radiation Livemore National Laboratory. "There's a real question of whether we may be hurting our future."

PERSONAL TRAINER

Weight control has different seasons

Most people reach their maximum weight in March then drop to their lightest by August. Human physiology is not the reason for those changes; eating and exercise habits are.

Spring and summer

Long days encourage people to spend more time outdoors enjoying physical activity. Warm-weather sports — such as swimming, cycling, canoeing and in-line skating — are often aerobic.

Fresh vegetables and fruits come into season; light and healthy foods like salads, grilled fish and chilled soup are more appealing and easy to make. Healthy, moderate eating is easier.

Autumn and winter

Shorter days force people inside, where it's easy to become sedentary. Outdoor and indoor exercise are possible all winter, but they are difficult for many people.

Many people develop a craving for heavy, fattening "comfort foods." The diet-busting holiday season comes during the dark, cold days of December and January.

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Use affirmative action

Affirmative action should be one of the many ways to get into a school.

A "Hot Topics" forum was hosted at N.C. State Thursday to address the issue of affirmative action. Sponsored by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, it was part of a lecture series allowing discussion between faculty and students on important issues affecting today's college campuses.

The lecture was titled "The Impact of Affirmative Action in Higher Education" and addressed the issue in a thoughtful, investigative way, clearing up many misconceptions about the topic.

Many people feel that affirmative action is all about meeting quotas and believe it takes opportunities away from others. Mary Kurz and Rupert Nacoste, the featured speakers, pointed out that affirmative action isn't about giving unfair advantages to minorities. It's about giving opportunities to someone who might not otherwise have the chance.

Having race and gender factored in allows for an effective way of making up for past discriminations and the under-representation of

minorities. And, in today's world, it addresses the acceptance of minorities as they move into positions that were previously inaccessible to them. Affirmative action also means equal access, representation and elimination of racism. Anything that combats the ever-present specter of hatred and racism should continue.

However, affirmative action isn't the only way people should be evaluated. Students applying for admission should be looked at for their intelligence and community involvement. Students should be recruited for their qualifications, not to meet a quota. At the same time, actively recruiting minority students helps to improve campus diversification.

If this was a just and righteous world, affirmative action would not be needed. We should all realize this isn't true. Minorities feel the sting of discrimination on this campus just as they do throughout the world. Until hatred and racism are eliminated, the only way to ensure that minorities get an equal chance is make sure institutions such as NCSU have minority representation in their student body equal to the national race ratios. Affirmative action may not be the best answer, but, right now it's the only one we have.

Make events cheaper

Cut the price tag on the annual Emerging Issues Forum.

Too many people expect to go on to bigger and better things — namely, the presidency — spoke at N.C. State's McKimmon Center Thursday and Friday. But most students probably didn't get to hear them.

In order to hear these men speak, along with numerous other figures in the political world, people had to shell out \$125. That's right — \$125 to get into the Emerging Issues Forum.

U.S. House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt and Massachusetts Governor William Weld had many important things to say. Things that might interest and enlighten NCSU students who will eventually emerge as the leaders and creators of the future.

Only if students had the money could they listen to the future of their nation envisioned by Gephardt and Weld. But most students don't have \$125 to spare, especially to hear a few good speeches.

The Emerging Issues Forum

should be open to the general public and NCSU students, not just to those who can afford to pay \$125. If NCSU's administration and N.C. Governor Jim Hunt claim that an event is sponsored and affiliated with the university, anyone at NCSU should be able to attend. Monetary needs should not be put above the needs of the students.

NCSU students must be allowed to participate in something that concerns them as future world leaders. By opening the forum to students with a lower attendance fee, emerging issues are not wastefully sounded on the ears of those who will not be leading 10-20 years from now. NCSU students represent a small portion of those people who will be leading the country in the next century.

To have a forum on issues that directly affect students without making it affordable to attend is inexcusable. Students need to be informed on such issues so they can make responsible, rational decisions.

Open up the Emerging Issues Forum to the people who are going to lead America, rather than only those who already have power and money.



Government should repeal income tax now

As April 15 draws closer, fear and mourning spring into the hearts of many Americans as their tax bill finally becomes official.

One could only imagine what could have been done with that pile of cash he or she sent to the government — the car could have been paid off, the mortgage paid ahead, or money saved for college tuition and a multitude of other things that would have been more beneficial to the economy rather than the money going into that black hole known as the federal government.

How did we as a society come to pay so much of our Gross National Product to the federal government? How did it get to a point where the average American works until May or June to pay his/her income taxes? How has it come to pass that a typical family has two breadwinners in order for one family to pay all the taxes imposed upon it? To answer these questions, one only has to look at history. (The following information is from "Taxation, USA" by Willard A. Heaps.)

The first income tax imposed in the United States was a flat rate tax levied in 1862 in order to defray the

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costs the Union incurred in fighting the Civil War. After much political pressure, the tax was abolished in 1872. The creation of this first tax led to the birth of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The very mention of that name brings fear and hatred into the hearts of millions of Americans.

Then, between 1873 and 1879, no less than 14 different income tax legislative bills were introduced in Congress, but all failed to become law. When an income tax bill was successfully passed in 1894, it was struck down as being unconstitutional. The Supreme Court justice who wrote the majority opinion prophesied something to the effect that "an income tax would create a war between the rich and the poor."

Today, we now have that war, and the Democratic Party wrote the book on exploiting that war for their own purposes.

President William Howard Taft proposed his federal income tax in 1909. Many in congress objected to the legislation saying that the tax was a "tool of Socialism" and had

already been ruled unconstitutional. So they amended the Constitution and then imposed an income tax. Feb. 3, 1913 marked that ominous day when the government would start punishing achievers. It started with a one percent rate on incomes over \$3000 for single persons and \$4000 for married individuals.

After the person made over \$20,000, a surtax was levied. It ranged from one percent to six percent over \$500,000.

However, the tax eventually shot up. At its peak, the rate was as high as 73 percent. Then under the Calvin Coolidge administration, taxes were cut from 73 percent to 25 percent and the lower rate fell from four percent to 1.5 percent. Incidentally, economic growth shot up dramatically.

During World War II, income tax withholding was introduced.

This was a "temporary" measure to help raise money for the war effort but it is now done in order to "get the most feathers from the goose with the least number of squawks."

The income tax has been used for more than just raising money for the federal government. It has been used for inducing behavior and used

for social architecture by socialist Democrats. These guys believe that they can use the money more effectively than you — the person who earned it. They think, "We can't let them keep more of their money, they would spend it on booze, McDonalds hamburgers or a fancy sports car to pollute the environment. Better raise taxes quick. We need to look after everyone's money. We will do drug addicts and welfare recipients because we care."

The answer to the questions posed earlier lies in the fact that socialist Democrat politicians have been willing to exploit class envy in order to implement their Marxist-like policies over the past 50 years. These people are the Bill and Hillary types who think they are going to build the bridge to the 21st century.

It is immoral for the government to punish achievement and to encourage sloth and laziness with our wealth redistribution tax system. It is time for change. The income tax should be eliminated and the 16th amendment repealed immediately.

Environmental ethics are for everyone

What is an environmental ethic? Why should N.C. State students be aware of an environmental ethic today? Environmental ethics help us decide what kind of a relationship we think we ought to establish with all members of the earth's community — the human as well as the non-human.

Interestingly, such an effort helps us come to terms with our own human identity and to determine how we ought to live personally and professionally. Aldo Leopold wrote in "The Sand County Almanac": "...A thing is right if it contributes to the stability, integrity, and beauty of the biotic community and wrong if it does otherwise..."

Ever since this was written in 1945, people have been discussing the difference between a human-centered environmental ethic which urges us to save the water so that humans will have enough to live, and an eco-centered environmental ethic such as Leopold's which urges us to save the water so that humans as well as all plants and animals will have enough to live.

Over the centuries we have been in the process of widening rather than narrowing the scope of our moral responsibilities. So, Leopold's

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reflections greatly enrich and widen the scope of moral consideration. Having discovered that we are all interconnected as human beings, we now are discovering that we are all profoundly interrelated with all species on earth.

Leopold earned the title "Father of Environmental Ethics" through his efforts to place humans in a relationship with the earth that was not placed exclusively on economic gain. He wrote that the land (often extended to mean the earth), is a community to which we belong, not a commodity to be bought and sold.

Embracing the land as a community and establishing a relationship with it that does not destabilize it, disintegrate it, or deface it usually challenges not only our personal life but our professional ways of functioning in society as well.

An environmental ethic moves us in the direction of deciding not only what kind of a human being we want to become, but also what kind of a world we want to leave for those who live after us.

Is there a better place to learn how to think about these challenges and to develop an environmental ethic than in this place, NCSU — a land grant university? We have already begun to consider several of these questions in various programs, curricula, courses and student clubs across the campus. Coming to terms with our relationship to the environment can come as a shock to us. It will reveal to us who we really are as human beings and this could be a genuine identity crisis!

We see ourselves at once in both terms of power and in terms of participation. As a result, we will have to decide if we want to move in the direction of power — and conquering the land, selling it, and making economic gains from these relationships, or if we want to move in the direction of participation — establishing a relationship with the land as members of the earth's community and moving in the direction of contributing to its stability, integrity and beauty.

The former gives us a feeling of power, the latter, a feeling of participation. Discovering which of these is right and which of these is wrong (and why you believe which is which) reveals the kind of human

being you have decided to become. The next challenge is to link this newly discovered personal human identity with professional responsibilities. The response to this connection determines the difference between doing meaningful work in service of the community and doing meaningless jobs often at the expense of the community which ostensibly is being served. This campus, with all of its professional colleges and programs, could be the perfect place to learn the difference. The need to "envision" a sustainable future and design how we might meet these requirements that we reflect thoughtfully on our personal as well as professional lifestyle. Such an exercise heightens our awareness of who we are as human beings and why we are living the way we are at this time and in this place in earth.

We are not alone among universities in these overtures. We could join our efforts with those of other university campuses and think about relationships with the environment. "The Campus Blueprint for a Sustainable Future" is one example. "The Blueprint", a

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 set of recommendations for higher education institutions across the globe, is the result of a 1994 Campus Earth Summit at Yale University which brought together 450 faculty, staff, and student delegates from 21 countries, six continents, and all 50 states to discuss how universities could better educate for tomorrow's environmental issues. As a Land Grant university, NCSU is perfectly positioned to continue these kinds of conversations in the places on campus where they have already begun.

An environmental ethic can serve as a guideline for helping us determine what we think is right or wrong about our relationship with the environment. It is also hard to imagine a better place to consider both of these compelling questions than here at NCSU.

Editor's Note: Erin Malloy-Hanley's column is part of a semester-long series written by NCSU faculty and staff.

From Technician's Fun Fact File...

The 1911 Building was not built in 1911, but in 1909. Yes, we're shocked and appalled over this error too.

The Campus

FORUM

New stadium should be built

It seems that Chancellor Monteith is one of the few people on this campus with any common sense in regards to the new arena. I am writing in response to Monteith's commentary in the April 9th Technician. I realize that most of the faculty and students would like to spend the \$22 million and renovate Reynolds Coliseum but that really would not help. You can't teach an old dog new tricks and you cannot turn a 50-year-old coliseum into a world class arena. I also like the nostalgia and history of Reynolds, but I see the need for progress and new technology.

People need to realize that the new arena would be a boost to the local economy and it would put Raleigh back on the map in terms of excellent public facilities. The Boston Garden was replaced by the Fleet Center and the Chicago Stadium was replaced by the United

Center. So, too, should Reynolds be replaced by the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

On another note, I want to applaud the Staff Senate in their decision not to give benefits to the life partners of NCSU staff. The vote was close (13-12), but I am glad to see that most of the staff still have their moral convictions intact. The Staff Senate did not succumb to the current state of "political correctness" that now blankets America. This recent action by the senate gives me newly found faith and trust in our teachers and staff.

Osborne Wilder
 Senior, Zoology

Question candidates before critiquing

In reference to Michael St. Clair's statement in Wednesday's issue of Technician about the student body president candidates which read, "In my opinion, they're all idiots. They lack leadership, charisma, and character." I have the following questions and comments.

Did you attend any of the scheduled debates, St. Clair? Did you take the time to meet and talk

with any of these candidates during the election? To make such a statement as you made in the paper about these fine young adults who have sacrificed a lot of their time to help better N.C. State, I hope you answered yes to both of the questions above. I was one of the seven candidates who was determined and courageous enough to run for student body president, and I am proud to say I knew each of the other candidates who ran.

None of them are idiots, nor do they lack leadership, charisma, or character. They are some of the finest young men on this campus and they should be admired for their efforts. I think that you should really think about the comments that you make before you know the facts. As far as leadership and charisma go you will not find a finer or more qualified group of people than the seven who stepped forward to represent NCSU in the recent elections.

We are now approaching the runoff elections and soon there will be a winner. But for the six of us who did not win, I say this: The only loser is the man who does not try. We all gave a valiant effort. To Michael I ask, why didn't you run, or do you not have what it takes?

Nelson Powell
 Junior, Agriculture Business Management

Award

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 forts, Phi Kappa Tau was recognized Monday night at the 1997 Wake County Volunteer Awards Ceremony for the work they have done for the children at Tuttle Community Center.

"We didn't even know we had been nominated," said Matt Cain, vice president of Phi Kappa Tau. "We just got a letter in the mail a couple of weeks ago informing us that we had been nominated and inviting us to the ceremony. It caught us by surprise."

According to Cain, Tuttle is a preschool day care center in southeast Raleigh which serves around 30 to 40 four and five-year olds.

Cain said the fraternity has held a Christmas party for the children, parents, and staff of Tuttle Community Center for at least six years.

"Every Christmas, each brother in the fraternity pairs up with a lady from Alpha Phi to buy presents for one of the kids," Cain said. "Then we invite them over for refreshments and to give out the presents."

Cain said the brothers put up a big tree in the chapter house and place all of the presents underneath it. One of the brothers even dresses up as Santa Claus.

Last year, Phi Kappa Tau decided to do more than just throw a Christmas party for Tuttle. According to Cain, twelve of the brothers spent a whole day last spring repairing the playground equipment at the center.

That was enough to impress Mildred Goodson, one of the directors at Tuttle. She nominated Phi

Kappa Tau for the award, one of only a few given annually by the Wake County Board of Commissioners to recognize outstanding volunteers in the community.

"They [the twelve brothers] came over one Saturday and spent the entire day sanding and repainting our playground equipment," Goodson said. "And if I remember right, it was a particularly hot and sunny day, too."

Their dedication inspired Goodson.

"I was absolutely moved that young people could have that much love for children," she said. "They even asked if there was anything else they could do."

Goodson said the Christmas party is a yearly treat for the kids. And she is impressed that the fraternity gives the party for the entire family.

"The presents they give are really nice. They even serve refreshments for the parents, too," she said. "That is beyond the call of duty."

Goodson said she often has memos come across her desk inviting nominations for various awards. Because of the help Tuttle has received from Phi Kappa Tau over the past years, she thought the fraternity deserved this recognition for their volunteer efforts.

A plaque was given to Phi Kappa Tau as a certificate of appreciation at Monday night's ceremony. It was accepted on behalf of the fraternity by Cain, Jonathan Johnson, philanthropy committee chair at the time of the playground repair job; and Zack Fox, current philanthropy committee chair.

Cain said the plaque will be hung in the fraternity house "just as soon as we can find a nail."

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