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Committee in no hurry to hire new athletics director

By Lisa Coston
Senior Staff Writer

Despite many recent rumors to the contrary, N.C. State has hired no new director of athletics and has no definite timetable for hiring one, Carl Dolce said Wednesday.

Dolce, Chairman of the Athletics Director Search Committee, said the process of establishing definite criteria for filling the position will begin today.

Thursday was the initial deadline for submitting applications to the 12-member committee.

More than 60 applications for the position had been received by the beginning of the week, Dolce said, and the committee must now start to sort through them and narrow the list down to a group of finalists who

will be personally interviewed.

The committee will recommend a small number of applicants to either Interim Chancellor Larry Monteith, or the permanent chancellor, depending on the schedule of both their work and the chancellor search.

Dolce said the committee hopes to be finished with its recommendations by the end of the semester in May, but it is too early to tell how feasible that will be.

"A lot hinges on how much of one mind the committee is," Dolce said. "There could be widespread disagreement on even the basic

criteria. It could be the process will be easy, or it could be a very long process. That's the nature of the democratic way of living."

The committee, which was appointed by Monteith in November and includes faculty, staff and students, has been meeting regularly Friday afternoons since December to get input on criteria for choosing an athletics director.

Coaches, student-athletes, faculty, staff and students have had the opportunity to talk with the committee in open hearings, and the committee has also solicited suggestions from athletics directors from three other ACC schools, as well as ACC Commissioner Gene Corrigan.

"We've had three basic questions," Dolce said. "First, What do you think an athletics director should do at NCSU? Then, What

qualifications are most important?"

"Third, we've asked them if they have any nominations."

The committee also placed ads in the Chronicle of Higher Education and the NCAA News in February to solicit applications. The ads' position description said the new AD "must provide leadership for an athletic program that is consistent with the goals and ideals of the university, including academic and personal development of the student-athletes," and spelled out the basic responsibilities and expectations of the job.

A few of the desired qualifications mentioned in the ad included an advanced degree and substantial senior-level management experience, as well as strong leadership, fiscal and communications abilities. Candidates should also demonstrate "commitment to the

educational objectives of a high quality public university," according to the ad.

One important aspect of the search is its open-endedness. Nora Lynn Finch said Finch, NCSU associate director of athletics, is a member of the search committee.

"We are hopefully going to be able to screen a large number of qualified candidates," Finch said. "If we don't find the right candidate we can keep looking. We didn't want to have to close and reopen the search."

Finch added that with the leadership of interim AD Hal Hoptenberg, the athletics department is currently in a stable state of transition.

"We don't need an AD right now — we need time to do this," Finch said. "Hal Hoptenberg is doing a very competent job."



Dolce

Senate rehashes Valvano issue

By Marci Bernstein
Staff Writer

Student Senate President Brooks Raiford announced at the Student Senate meeting on Wednesday that he does not support the death penalty for the men's basketball team.

He did, however, state that Student Body President Brian Nixon supported the measure to suspend the basketball program.

"It is unfair to penalize a coach of things that he may not have had knowledge," said Raiford. He said that there first needs to be proof before any measures can be taken.

Raiford also said that the Faculty Senate has not taken a stand on the Valvano issue. Chancellor Monteith is in the process of collecting information on the issue before he releases his decision.

"The university is a dog on Valvano's leash. He needs to know who the master is. We'll just have to wait and see how much longer we'll be on the wrong end of this leash," said Raiford.

Senator Dave Holm said the search for a new athletic director has not yet begun. The committee will begin reviewing applications and it will be months before a decision is reached.

Senator Pam Powell announced that the Senate had received an award for the Philippines Booklift Project. The project, which began in the 1987-88 school year, gave unwanted textbooks to universities in this needy country.

"This should be a yearly project," said Powell. "We have the resources to help others who need it."

Raiford updated the progress of actions against the budget cuts. He said that over 1,000 signatures had been gathered in two hours and were sent to Governor Jim Martin's office.

Other items of business on the agenda included the designation of funds to the Eta Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society, the IRC Wolfstock Committee, the NCSU Collegiate 4-H Club, the Forestry Club/Society of American Foresters, and the Society of Women Engineers.

Corrections and Clarifications

A story on page 1B of Monday's Technician incorrectly reported that the N.C. State wrestling team captured its second straight ACC title over spring break. The Wolfpack actually won its third straight conference championship.

Technician regrets the error and congratulates Bob Guzzo and his squad on the victory.

A photograph of the College Bowl team in Wednesday's newspaper was incorrectly attributed. Staff photographer Tanya Stephens took the picture.



Chris Hondros/Staff

Gymnast in distress

Mark Stevenson and Wolfpack gymnastics trainer Wendy Crump tend to Freshman Karen Chester who was stunned after falling from the uneven bars Thursday night. Chester turned out to be uninjured.

1990 Wolfstock plans take shape

By Bina Jangda
Staff Writer

The price of Wolfstock will be higher this year, but so will the value.

For the first time in its five-year history, the spring music bash will offer a rap band among the four groups expected to entertain.

Bands will be announced on April 2. "Advance ticket sales begin on the same day," said John Schmitzer, co-chairman of the Inter Residence Hall Council planning committee.

Ticket prices this year are tentatively set at \$5 for students and \$8 for non-students. That is an increase of \$2 from last year.

"We have signed two bands to play at Wolfstock, so far," said Robbie Binns, co-chairman of the planning committee. "The first one is a progressive band that has been receiving air-time on MTV. The second band started receiving air-time on Yo! MTV Raps last weekend."

Schmitzer said that two other local bands are being looked at as possible performers. "One is a hard rock group that has released two albums," he said. "The fourth band will be a party band."

According to Binns, each non-student must be accompanied by a student. "The reason for this is because we

don't want all of the Wake County School District to show up at a college event where they don't need to be."

Security at this year's Wolfstock event will consist of 10 Public Safety officers and one mounted unit, according to Jim Venglarik, security chairman.

In addition to Public Safety, volunteers are need for security. "We still are looking for volunteers to do general security work such as patrolling, cooler checking and ticket taking. Security volunteers will receive a Wolfstock Security T-shirt and free admission to the concert," said Venglarik.

If anyone is interested in volunteering, they should contact Jim Venglarik at 737-5617.

Public Safety will be looking for underage drinking. "All broken seals on bottles will be checked," said Venglarik. "If you are 21, you can bring in alcohol but a limited amount. We are limiting the alcohol to one six-pack or one two-liter bottle of wine cooler per person. No hard liquor will be permitted."

Venglarik also said that you can leave the concert but you can't bring anything back in with you.

"If you want to bring in more alcohol, you can pay admission again to re-enter," said Schmitzer.

Not only will security be controlling alcohol but they will also be looking for cameras and recording devices.

Valvano denies buy-out clause

Coach calls attempts to place blame on one person absurd

By L. Scott Tillett
Staff Writer

N.C. State basketball coach Jim Valvano says that he definitely does not plan to resign and that he sees negative publicity directed toward him as the result of "over simplification" of problems in college basketball.

Valvano recently came under fire as a result of former Wolfpack basketball player Charles Shackelford's admission of accepting money while playing for NCSU.

The university's investigation into the case and any involvement on the part of Valvano has led to a review of terms in Valvano's contract should the coach's dismissal be necessary.

This review has fueled speculation that NCSU will attempt to buy out Valvano's contract, but in an interview Valvano said, "There's no such thing as a buy out."

Valvano maintains that his contract cannot be bought out because there are certain stipulations within the contract and that Interim Chancellor Larry Monteith wants to review everything.

So far there has been no serious contract negotiation between the university and Valvano's counsel, however Valvano said that if university officials need to negotiate terms of the contract, "They'll be talking to me."

The coach said that in some respects he is being set up as a scapegoat and that the media are focusing on him rather than on the panorama of problems in NCAA basketball today.

"I'm caught in a transition period of college athletics itself," said Valvano.

Valvano went on to call attempts of placing the blame on one person an absurdity. He called the heaping



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Coach Valvano says that contract negotiations have to go through him.

of all responsibility for the players upon the coach an "over simplification."

A player's illegal acceptance of money is "not the type of information that a player shares with you," said Valvano.

NCSU basketball player Chris Corchiam has said that if Valvano goes, he will also go. Valvano thinks that Corchiam's ultimatum demonstrates sincerity rather than insensitivity in the relationship between coaches and players.

Valvano also expressed his appreciation for the overwhelming support he has received.

The coach said that he does not know how long it will be before everything is resolved.

Valvano added, "I learned a while ago not to try to predict the future."

The NCAA show must go on

Fans flock to bars despite Wolfpack absence

By Suzanne Perez
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State basketball fans may feel a few twinges of withdrawal this weekend as the NCAA kicks off its 52nd annual tournament. Because of an NCAA probation sentence, the Wolfpack will not take part in this year's post-season competition.

But Pack or no Pack, the show will go on. And folks in Raleigh will be watching.

Dan Cloos, owner of Cloos' Coney Island grill in Mission Valley shopping center, said State fans are gathering in his beer and hot dog establishment to watch the tournament despite the Wolfpack's absence.

"They're saying it's a shame the Pack's not in it this year, but they're still watching," said Cloos, who keeps the restaurant's television tuned in to NCAA basketball throughout the season.

"There's still a heck of an interest in basketball around here. That's all everyone's talking about — the teams they're picking, the betting pools."

"No doubt it's still in the forefront of every

one's mind."

Cloos said turnout is noticeably higher for games featuring an Atlantic Coast Conference school, especially one of North Carolina's "Big Four."

If it's State, Carolina or Duke, everyone's watching.

The restaurant was "jam packed" for the first two rounds of this year's ACC Tournament, he said. But when Virginia and Georgia Tech battled for an ACC championship Sunday, "It was pretty dead."

Fans are still manning their televisions and beer pitchers at Player's Retreat, though, said one bartender. The Oberlin Road tavern is a traditional gathering place for sports fanatics.

State not being there hurts a lot. There's not much interest unless they're playing," said bartender John Quinnannon. "But people will watch anyway. It's still basketball."

Darryl's Restaurant on Hillsborough Street, known for hosting sports celebrations during the Super Bowl and World Series, is not planning anything special for this year's NCAA tournament, one manager said.



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Fans crowded Mitch's Tavern to watch the 1987 ACC tournament.

Same goes for Mitch's Tavern on Hillsborough Street, where customers are coming in to watch television and socialize, but not with the basketball tournament fervor of past years.

"It's a disappointment that we're not going to be in it this year," said NCSU junior Chris Crawford. "But I'm a basketball fan. I'll still be watching."

Some Wolfpack fans say the trick to watching the tournament this year is not who you cheer for, but who you cheer against. And the University of North Carolina is a favorite target.

"I'll still be watching the tournament this year," said David Holt, a senior. "I want to see Carolina lose."

This week's top billings

Celebrate St. Patty's Day

What better way to end St. Patrick's Day than with a concert by an authentic Irish band. Altan, a quintet that performs traditional Irish music, will perform in Stewart Theatre Saturday night.

Altan features two fiddles, one flute, one guitar and one bouzouki — all of which produce lively instrumentals and lovely vocals. The quintet is considered to be one of the hottest young traditional bands in Ireland. Their latest album, "Horse with a Heart," is on the Green Linnet label. This is their first east coast tour.

Show time is Saturday night at 8 p.m. Tickets, \$12 for the general public and \$7 for N.C. State students, are available at the Stewart Theatre box office. For more information call 737-3927.

— Mina Javaher

More from Alfred Hitchcock

The trouble with Harry is... he's dead.

"The Trouble With Harry," a black comedy of errors, is the next chapter in Erdahl-Cloyd Theatre's tribute to Hitchcock. The movie stars Edmund Gwenn, John Forsythe and Shirley MacLaine, and it features one eccentric character after another who stumbles across the corpse and believes he is responsible for Harry's death. Showtime: 8 p.m. Monday. Admission is free.

Jamie Lee works the beat in 'Blue Steel'

New film reverses traditional police role

By Dan Pawlowski
Entertainment Editor

CHICAGO — Director Kathryn Bigelow broke the stereotypical mold of a cop/thriller film when she selected Jamie Lee Curtis to star in "Blue Steel," her latest film. And this new formula, as could be expected, had mixed results.

From the opening of the film, Curtis's character, Megan Turner, is expectedly innocent in nature — she wants to rid her beat (New York City) from crime. But instead of being armed with her .38-caliber Smith & Wesson and a doughnut like normal cops on their first day, she is a witness to a robbery.

And this is where Turner loses her innocence. She rushes across the street and enters the grocer's back door where she eventually encounters the robber. This confrontation results in the rookie cop shooting and killing the bad guy. And this is done in style — she fills the victim with her peace keeper's full round.

What follows will haunt Turner throughout the film. A witness to the crime, Eugene Hunt (Ron Silver), picks up the one piece of evidence from the crime scene that would have made the rookie cop's actions justified — the robber's gun.

The reasoning behind Hunt's actions are not quite clear. Why would a successful Wall Street businessman interfere with a police investigation?

Fortunately, this question is soon answered. It seems that Hunt is not quite as successful as he seems. In fact, this yuppie is quite mentally unstable. And it is his insanity that compels him to enter into a series of murders with the stolen weapon.

If that were not enough to keep a viewer's attentiveness, it seems the serial killer inscribes Turner's name to the murder weapon's bullets. Consequently, not only does Turner have to explain her actions in the robbery, but now she has to explain why the coroner is finding bullets on the victim's body with her name inscribed on them.

Here work conflicts coincide with Turner's family problems. Her mother is understanding and loving with her daughter's decision to be a cop, however, her father is not quite as understanding. His sentiments are echoed when he says, "I've got a god-damn cop for a daughter."

And if things were not bad enough for Turner, she is being followed by Hunt. By chance they end up sharing a cab ride, and Hunt seizes the moment by inviting the rain-drenched Turner to dinner. For obvious reasons, her acceptance is one in which she will soon regret.

Ironically, Hunt's character is much like "the boogie man" in the film "Halloween," which also starred Curtis. Reason: Both were out to kill Curtis and both were nearly impossible to terminate. The events of the serial killer weaken the story in parts. In several scenes when Hunt is being pursued by Turner and/or her boss, Hunt just seems to escape rather easily.

Also, the actions of the officers are not too convincing at times. Case in point: When Turner wants to find out more about Hunt she and her boss break and enter his residence. Not very practical nor believable.

Still, for those moviegoers that just cannot get enough of cop flicks, and/or Curtis, check this one out. It is suspenseful at times and will make for a good study break.



Photo courtesy of Vestron Pictures

Jamie Lee Curtis stars as a rookie New York City cop in "Blue Steel," the newest film from director Kathryn Bigelow.

Rock with the 'Cradle'

By David Brock
Senior Staff Writer

Great sounds and great atmosphere will dominate the Cat's Cradle in Chapel Hill tonight. That is when The Innocence Mission will be toting its act down from Philadelphia.

This four-piece band has been influenced by the likes of Peter Dinklage and James Taylor. This diversity has made them as ethereal as they are tangible.

Singer-keyboardist Karen Peris added, "I love making keyboard sounds to help paint the picture of the song."

Peris' voice rises through the vocal firmament, breaking barriers of sonic evolution as she progresses. She is backed by bassist Mike Bitts and drummer Steve Brown, who provide a backbone of rhythm to complete the anatomy of The Innocence Mission.

Lyrically Peris' material revolves around romance and lost fortune, chiefly from the perspective of the song's subjects.

The Innocence Mission is touring to support their debut self-titled album.

Athens, Ga., has produced yet another impact-making band on the rise. Dreams So Real is coming to the Cat's Cradle Monday.

The band's latest LP, "Rough Night in Jericho," shows their maturation since their debut album, "Father's House" (which was produced by R.E.M. Guitarist Peter Buck).

Dreams So Real has made an appearance in the film "Athens Inside/Out." However, "Rough Night in Jericho" demonstrates the band's desire to break away from the typical Athen's band mold. Unfortunately, this stereotype has resulted in restrictions being placed on bands like R.E.M. and the B-52's.

The sound that Dreams So Real has developed for itself today is more driving and powerful than before.



The Innocence Mission

Shrunkn kids, science fiction new on video

By Mina Javaher
Staff Writer

CBSL

"Millennium" Rated R

"Honey, I shrunk the Kids" Rated PG

This science fiction flick stars Kris Kristofferson as a government investigator puzzling over the mid-air collision of two jumbo jets.

Cheryl Ladd plays a woman from another time on a desperate mission to save the future. The mid-air collision and the salvation of the future are connected in paradoxical ways typical of science fiction (if you tamper with history you may just tamper yourself out of existence).

Also, Daniel Travanti plays a loony Nobel Prize-winning physi-

This Disney blockbuster stars Rick Moranis as Professor Wayne Szalinsky, inventor of the "electromagnetic shrinking machine."

Four children are accidentally zapped by the device, miniaturized and accidentally thrown out with the trash. The miniature group must now make their way across the "jungle" of their own backyard.

"Kids" is packaged with the hilarious Roger Rabbit animated adventure, "Tummy Trouble."

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Wolfpack Women ready for NCAAs

1990 National Collegiate Division I Women's Basketball Championship

First and second-round games will be held on the campus of the university hosting the higher seed in the 48-team field. The top four seeds in each region received first-round byes. First-round games were played on March 14. The winners of those games advance to the second round. The final four will be in Knoxville, TN, on April 1. N.C. State is making its eighth appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

1990 East Regional				1990 Midwest Regional			
8. Old Dominion University (20-8)	1. Tennessee (25-5)	5. Clemson (21-9)	4. Connecticut (25-5)	1. Washington (28-2)	8. DuPont (22-9)	5. South Carolina (23-8)	4. Northwestern (24-4)
9. St. Joseph's (24-6)	9. Old Dominion University (21-9)	4. Connecticut (25-5)		8. DuPont (22-9)	9. Western Kentucky (17-11)	8. South Carolina (22-8)	12. Bowling Green (22-8)
5. Clemson (25-9)				5. South Carolina (23-8)			
12. Manhattan (18-12)				4. Northwestern (24-4)			
6. Maryland (16-18)	3. Providence (26-4)	8. Maryland (19-18)		3. Iowa (23-8)	6. Vanderbilt (21-16)	11. Rutgers (20-9)	
11. Appalachian State (20-8)				8. Vanderbilt (22-10)			
18. Florida State (21-8)	7. Penn State (25-7)			7. Tennessee Tech (20-4)	10. Richmond (15-4)		
7. Penn State (24-6)	2. Virginia (28-5)			2. Auburn (24-6)	7. Tenn. Tech (25-4)		
Old Dominion University March 22-24 Regionals Norfolk, Va.				University of Iowa March 22-24 Regionals Iowa City, Iowa			
1990 West Regional				1990 Midwest Regional			
8. Montana (27-2)	1. Stanford (27-1)	5. Mississippi (20-8)	4. Nevada-Las Vegas (27-2)	1. Louisiana Tech (28-8)	8. Southern Mississippi (26-4)	5. Northern Illinois (25-4)	12. Texas Tech (18-18)
9. Newell (25-8)	9. Newell (25-8)	5. Mississippi (20-8)		8. Southern Mississippi (27-4)	9. Louisiana State (21-6)		
5. Mississippi (20-8)				5. Northern Illinois (20-4)			
12. Utah (28-9)				4. Purdue (22-4)			
6. Long Beach State (24-7)	2. S.F. Austin State (27-2)	8. Long Beach State (25-7)		3. Texas (25-4)	11. Southern Illinois (21-8)	10. Ohio State (18-18)	
11. California (17-11)				6. Ohio State (18-11)	4. Ohio State (18-18)		
10. UCLA (17-11)	7. Arkansas (24-4)			7. Michigan (20-8)	10. Florida State (21-8)		
7. Arkansas (22-4)	2. Georgia (26-4)			2. N.C. State (25-5)	7. Michigan (19-8)		
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Nicole Lehmann, junior
point guard, 9.1 ppg,
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Andrea Stinson, junior
guard, 21.8 ppg, 141
assts., 6.6 rpg, 55%
FG, 71.4% FT

Sharon Manning, junior
center, 14.3 ppg, 8.1
rpg, 49 assts., 51.5%
FG, 64.3% FT

Kerri Hobbs, senior
forward, 9.3 ppg, 6.1
rpg, 30 assts., 55.4%
FG, 69.4% FT

Krista Kiburn, senior
power forward, 7.9
ppg, 93 assts., 6.7 rpg,
FG 43.8%, FT 64.2%

State hosts second-round opponent Michigan on Saturday

By David Honea
Senior Staff Writer

The N.C. State women's basketball team has made the field of the NCAA Tournament for the eighth time in the tournament's nine-year history. And while the Wolfpack goes in as the second seed in the Midwest regional, its road to the Final Four is far from easy.

That road, which begins at home Saturday, could take State to the home court of the winningest team of the 1980s and then past the number-one team in the country. All that just to get to Knoxville and the Final Four.

After receiving a first-round bye, the Wolfpack begins tournament play Saturday against tenth-seeded Michigan. Michigan defeated seventh-seeded Oklahoma State 77-68 in the first round Wednesday night.

Michigan is appearing in the tournament for the first time after finishing fourth in the Big 10. Although the Wolverines are 20-9, they are something of a mystery to the State coaching staff.

"They have good size and a balanced scoring attack. They can hurt you inside or outside," said head coach Kay Yow Thursday. "But we've never seen Michigan until now. We still have a lot of work to do to get ready."

"They're one of those good teams that don't get a lot of exposure because of the lack of TV coverage. But they have played against strong competition all year in the Big 10. That has helped prepare them for the NCAA."

If State gets by its first game and



Andrew Uspinski/Staff

Sharon Manning's improved inside game is one of the reasons the Pack is one of the top teams in the country.

advances to the final 16, the challenge becomes much tougher. The Midwest semifinals and finals will be held in Austin, Texas and the Wolfpack's semifinal opponent is likely to be the Texas Lady Longhorns.

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Baseball team gets 11th straight win

By Bruce Winkworth
Associate Sports Editor

For the N.C. State baseball team, the beat goes on. Craig Rapp threw a three-hitter Thursday, and Hartford, playing its first game of the season, became the Wolfpack's 11th consecutive victim, 5-1 at Doak Field. The win raised the Wolfpack's overall record to 18-4.

Hartford's only run against the Rappster was unearned after a Gary Crampton error put Mike Scraphansky on second to lead off the second inning. Joe Bollino singled Scraphansky to third, and Mike Lane's run-scoring fly ball scored the run.

Rapp, who improved his record to 4-0, also allowed a two-out single in the first inning and a one-out single in the sixth. He retired the side in order in the third, fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth innings and did not allow a walk until two were out in the ninth in lowering his ERA to 2.67.

"When Craig is sharp, he's around the plate with all his pitches," State coach Ray Tanner said. "It was Hartford's first game, and Craig was sharp, and that makes it tough for them. We played deep defensively and figured we'd be all

right. We didn't hit the ball all that well."

The Wolfpack took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first. Brian Bark drew a one-out walk, took third on Jeff Pierce's double, and scored on Crampton's fly to center field. Brett Griffin singled to right to drive home Pierce.

The Wolfpack added three unearned runs in the seventh. Bobby Russell walked, and J.J. Picollo sacrificed him to second. Scott Sneed reached on an error, with Russell holding at second, and Chris Long moved the runners to second and third with a bunt.

Bark followed with his fourth home run of the season, a three-run shot that gave him 16 RBI on the season.

Other than those two outbursts, State was pretty much muzzled by Hartford's Gary Gallagher, who was 2-4 a year ago but 13-9 for his career.

"Gallagher was able to throw his breaking ball when he was behind in the count," Tanner said. "When you can do that, you're going to be tough. We were able to get a couple of runs on him in the first, and then Brian hit a big home run for us to give us a cushion."

Sophomore Griffin went 2-for-3 for the Wolfpack with an RBI to raise his average to .391. Griffin now has 21 RBI and trails only

Pierce, who has 23.

Vinnie Hughes had a pinch hit, infield single in the eighth to raise his average to .444, tops on the team. Picollo was 1-for-2 to raise his average to .357.

The 11-game winning streak is the second longest winning streak in Wolfpack history and is two shy of the school record of 13, set by the 1984 team. Although the Wolfpack has been noted for fast starts in recent years, only the 1984 team had a better record after 22 games, at 19-3. The 1987 Wolfpack also was 18-4. The '84 team's 13-game winning streak gave that team a 20-3 record before the streak ended with a loss to North Carolina.

"I'm just happy to be out of the blocks like this," Tanner said. "I've said it before, this team isn't all that talented, but I think the key is that they realize that and understand what it takes for them to be successful."

State will play Hartford again today at 2 p.m. Chris Woodfin, 3-1, will pitch for the Wolfpack.

State will play New York Tech Saturday at 2 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. Mike Butler, 1-0, will start for State Saturday, and Preston Woods, 1-1, will start Sunday.



Buzzy Cornell/Staff

Craig Rapp pitched a three-hitter against Hartford Thursday afternoon.

Tennis teams win

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A dual match meant a double victory over Atlantic Christian College for the N.C. State men's and women's tennis teams on Thursday afternoon at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

The men defeated ACC by a score of 7-2 while the women won with an 8-1 margin. The men won the singles competition 4-2 and swept the doubles play at three all.

Matt Price won 6-0, 6-1 at the third position for the Pack while Sean Ferreira picked up a victory at the fourth spot 6-1, 6-0. Kent Lovett easily handled ACC's fifth seed 6-3, 6-1 while Stephen Finch downed Yoseph Kidove 6-4, 6-1.

Mike Herb teamed with captain James Catenis to give State an easy 6-1, 6-1 doubles win at the number one position. Price and Parke Morris also won in doubles at 6-4, 6-1 while Ferreira and Finch handily downed Atlantic Christian's third seed 6-3, 6-2.

The women began their day by sweeping the singles action 6-0 and picking up 2-3 doubles matches. Jenny Sell and Susan Saunders were both victorious at the one and two spots respectively 7-5, 5-7, 6-1 and 6-1, 7-5. Arlene Peters won 6-0, 6-1 at the third seed while Katie Carpenter was an easy victor at four, 6-1, 6-2. Ale Prieto and Stephanie Donahue both breezed at the fifth and sixth positions 6-1, 6-0 and 6-0, 6-0.

Peters/Carpenter and Donahue/Michelle Parks gave the Pack their two doubles victories of the day winning 6-0, 6-0 and 6-1, 6-2 respectively.

The Wolfpack men (8-4) and women (5-7) return to action on Sunday with home duals. The men host The Citadel while the women face Furman. Both matches start at 1 p.m. at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.



Price

Netters find Texas-style tennis competitive

By Brooke Barbee
Senior Staff Writer

While the Lone Star State may be known for its athletics on the gridiron rather than on the court, N.C. State's Katie Carpenter found that Texas-style tennis is just as competitive.

"Texas is a very tough state in tennis," Carpenter said. "There are a lot of excellent schools and good competition."

After Carpenter's latest experience in Texas, she should be in a position to know. During spring break, the NCSU women's tennis team made a four-day, four-stop tour of Texas, picking up one victory to bring its record to 4-7 on the season.

The tour began on a shaky start March 6 at Southern Methodist, a team which dealt the Pack a defeat at home earlier in the season. The Mustangs once again dominated the Wolfpack, this time delivering a 9-0 defeat.

Carpenter picked up the only NCSU set

on the day in her 3-6, 6-4, 7-6 loss to Collye Stacy.

The team next traveled to perennial-power Texas Christian where they improved their play, but could only manage to win two of nine matches. Michelle Parks, playing in only her third match of the season, pulled out a convincing three-set win at the sixth spot over Sally Podval 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.

"Michelle has worked very hard this season and she really showed me something at TCU," State coach Kelly Key said. "Michelle figures very much into the present and future of N.C. State tennis."

At the first seed, Jenny Sell pulled out a come-from-behind victory against TCU's Karen Hooson, who is ranked in the top 60 in the country. Down 5-2 in the third, Sell turned her game around to win 6-6, 6-1, 7-6.

"Hooson came out and attacked early so it took me a while to get adjusted," Sell said. "I slowed up the pace and

threw her game off. When I was down 5-2, I knew that if I could just play my game I could win. I just hung tough and was able to turn it around."

The Pack's lone victory on the tour came at North Texas State in a 7-2 win.

Sell and Susan Saunders won at the one and two spots, respectively, before teaming together in doubles for another victory. Ale Prieto and Stephanie Donahue also won both their singles matches (at the fifth and sixth seeds) and their doubles match as well.

Carpenter, a transfer from Elon College, supplied the final victory with a 6-3, 6-1 defeat of April Appel.

"The change in competition from Elon to State was huge," Carpenter said. "It was like jumping from high school straight into the ACC. Last week, I found that I could win if I could just play my game. Overall, it was a good learning experience for everyone."

Key also thought the tour provided valuable experience for the team.

"We played well at TCU, but then it all came together for us at North Texas," Key said. "We played very steady and came up with some tough wins in doubles. In all, there was a lot of good play on our parts throughout the course of the week."

The final match of the series took place at Baylor as the Wolfpack fell 7-2. At the fifth spot, Prieto trounced Gina Gibson 6-4, 6-2. Sell also extended her winning streak by defeating Kathryn Sale 6-1, 6-3.

"Jenny had some excellent wins over the week," Key said. "She always exciting to watch because she's so competitive. She can play with anybody."

Now that the Pack's season is reaching the midway mark, Key hopes the improved play in Texas will hopefully set the tone for the rest of the season.

"These next two weeks will tell what this team is made of," Key said. "I look forward to finding out."

Gymnastics team takes two of three meets during break

By Carlton Cook
Staff Writer

While many N.C. State students spent Spring Break soaking up the sun at the beach, the Wolfpack gymnastics team was on the road, winning two of three meets to better its record to 4-5.

The first meet was held March 2 at Longwood in Virginia, and the Pack stunned its host with a 182.65-172.80 win.

State began the meet with fantastic vault performances, outdistancing Longwood 46.85 to 44.55. Sophomore Jill Bishop led the Pack with a 9.45 vault,

beating the team's and her own top score this season. Junior Karen Tart and sophomore Carey Buttlar tied for second in the event with scores of 9.40.

The Wolfpack squad cushioned its lead with the uneven bars scoring 44.55 to Longwood's 42.40, pushing State to a 91.40 running mark over Longwood's score of 86.95. Pacing the Pack in the bars was Jennifer Larsen with a 9.50 performance.

Second and third places each marked a season high for the individuals involved. Tart scored a 9.35 and freshman Karen Chester, an 8.80.

Although the balance beam has given the Pack trouble all year, the team performed well, outscoring Longwood

44.40-42.40. As in the previous two events, the top three Wolfpack gymnasts garnered better scores than the entire Longwood team.

Junior Kerri Moreno led the Pack with a 9.00. Tart grabbed second with an 8.95 and third belonged to Buttlar, who received an 8.90 for her beam display.

As usual, State took over the floor event, sealing Longwood's fate by outdistancing them 46.85-43.45. Buttlar's score of 9.35 was not only her own season high, but also the team's.

Bishop's exercise captured a 9.70 and Chester rounded

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Opinion

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A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered. College life without its journal is blank.

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Editorials

End the two-test semester

A recent study conducted by Harvard University officials has shed the light of credibility to an argument many frustrated students will appreciate.

The study, which evaluated Harvard students' performances in various classroom situations, showed that students learned more in classes that required several short, frequent tests during the semester rather than one or two comprehensive exams.

No matter what the subject, students benefited from the continual feedback provided by periodic tests or papers, the study said.

Students taking classes that required only a midterm and final exam, on the other hand, tended to "stress out" on those tests and perform poorly. And because the few exams weighed more heavily on the overall grade, student performance in these classes dropped.

If the purpose of higher education is, in fact, to educate students, professors and administrators everywhere should seriously consider the study's findings.

N.C. State, like all universities, has its share of teachers who believe that one or two tests per semester is an adequate gauge of student performance. Unfortunately, these classes often lack constructive feedback that is necessary to the learning process. Periodic quizzes, short papers or homework assignments can be evaluated quickly and returned, thus helping students with subsequent assignments.

Some say students themselves are to blame for poor performances on comprehensive exams. Instead of keeping up and studying throughout the course, they tend to "crum" the night before a big test.

Others argue that teachers who test only twice a semester do so because they are too lazy to grade more papers.

But no matter what the reason, the fact remains that student performance in these classes is consistently poor. If students learn more by receiving periodic evaluations, professors should consider this way of teaching.

NCSU administrators, including Chancellor Larry Monteith, should encourage professors to re-evaluate their testing methods in light of these new findings. If effective teaching is truly a common goal among university faculty, staff and students, the era of the two-exam class should end as soon as possible.

Academia at work

Congratulations are once again in order for the N.C. State College Bowl team.

Ben Lea, Larry Sorrels, Jay Edwards, Michael Teague and Ken Miller won six straight games to capture the Region 5 championship for the third time in four years. The NCSU team will go on to face teams from the United States, Canada, Mexico and Great Britain in the national tournament in April.

The team members are the cream of NCSU's academic crop. The four players and their coach deserve credit not only for winning the championship again, but for the dedication and hard work spent in that effort. College Bowl, like basketball or football, requires long hours of practice and careful planning. While the Bowl is not physically exhausting, the mental drain is tough for the players.

College Bowl shows plainly that the academic integrity of NCSU is far from dead. It is unfortunate that the media choose to harp on the shortcomings of the basketball and wrestling programs, while ignoring the merits of College Bowl and like activities.

Students should also show their support for such activities. College Bowl gives academically gifted students the same chance for competition granted to athletes. That alone is a bonus for participation. The fact that NCSU has a winning team makes the academic competition all the more appealing.

Once more, Technician joins the student body in congratulating the 1989-1990 College Bowl team. Good luck in the nationals!

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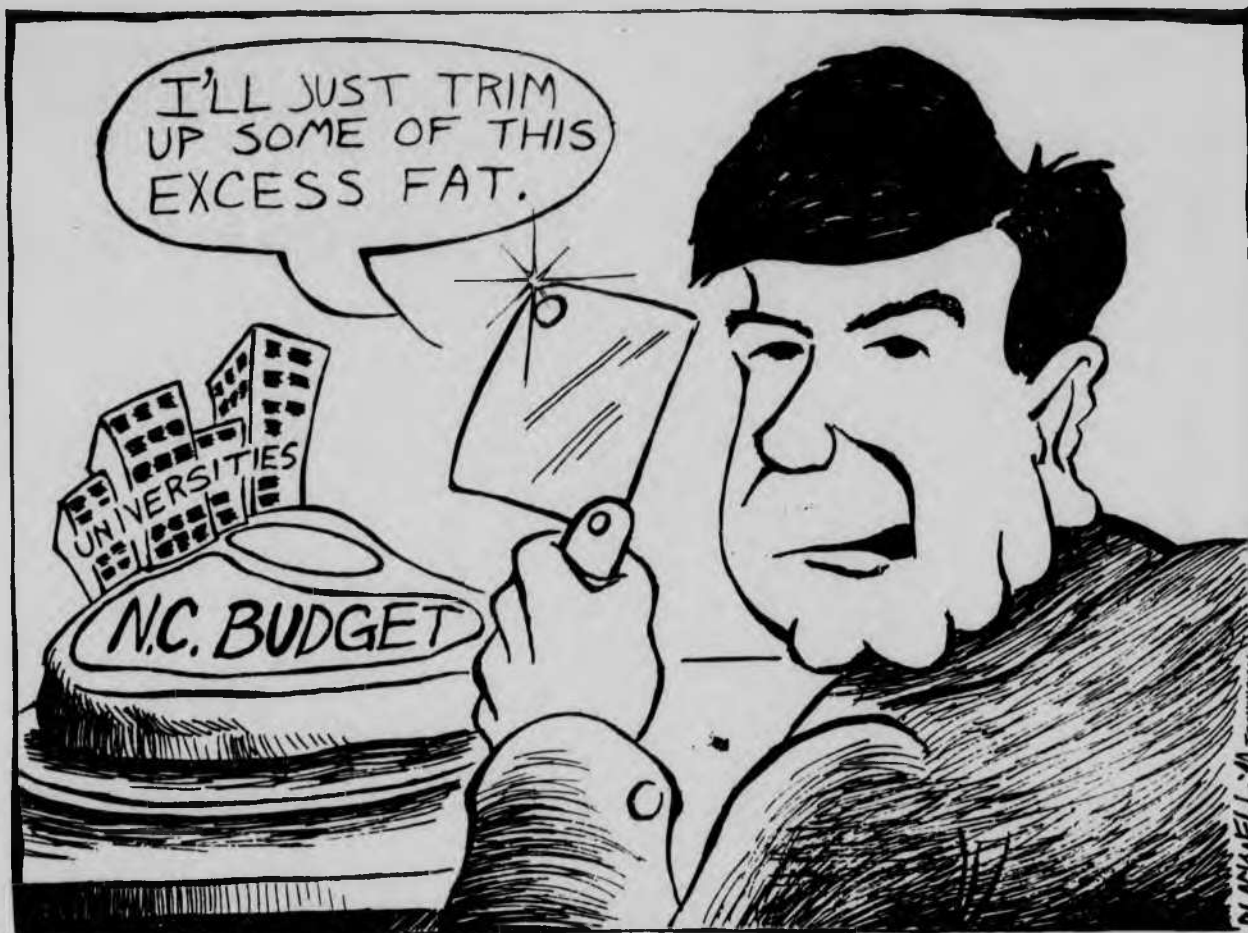
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Columns

Players bear blame for point-shaving

David Cherry

Opinion Columnist

Coach Valvano has now suffered from a "witch hunt" from almost every direction and his reputation is utterly destroyed. However, Valvano should be given the benefit of the doubt and not forced out as head basketball coach.

First, none of the point-shaving allegations have been proven. Many people in the mass media have demanded that Valvano take responsibility for incidents that may or may not have happened.

A recent discovery in the basketball scandal at the University of Florida has convinced me that Valvano should not be pressured to leave because of the alleged point-shaving.

A former basketball player at Florida claimed in a grand jury investigation that the coaching staff at Florida helped him buy drugs. This player's statements under oath forced the resignation of head coach Norm Sloan and severely damaged the basketball program at Florida. The player later admitted he lied under oath, but the damage was obviously done.

The N.C. State administration cannot afford to repeat this mistake by assuming the point-shaving allegations are absolutely true. When "Personal Fouls" was published, our school realized Valvano was victimized by former players and team managers with personal vendettas against Coach V. Again,

the jury is still out on the point-shaving allegations and Valvano should not be forced out because of mystery-player interviews.

While it is true that there were many problems in our basketball program, Jim Valvano is sincerely cleaning up the program. Through self-imposed sanctions, NCSU basketball was well on its way to restoring its integrity until the point-shaving allegation were uncovered.

It is also true that Valvano was probably stretched too thin between coaching, his job as athletics director and his own personal affairs. However, he has stepped down as athletics director and is now primarily concerned with coaching basketball.

Valvano is no longer trying to be a celebrity. Instead, he is the victim of an unfriendly mass media inquisition. Even if the alleged point-shaving proves true, this scandal would not be nearly as severe as that of 30 years ago.

That scandal involved players and bookies all across the country, yet nobody demanded the resignation of Everett Case, who was the coach at NCSU at the time. In

addition, the press did not seem to care that UNC-Chapel Hill players were involved or that Doug Moe, who is now the coach of the Denver Nuggets, accepted money for point-shaving. The ACC's reaction to that scandal was simply "de-emphasizing" basketball.

But now even suspected point-shaving causes the local media to demand Valvano's resignation and a possible suspension of basketball at NCSU. Obviously the media have sensationalized the current allegations against NCSU basketball.

It is ridiculous for Valvano to take responsibility for all the actions of his players. Valvano should not be expected to be the players' baby sitter. Players like Charles Shackelford knew the rules and should bear sole punishment for breaking them.

Forcing Valvano out will not change what has already happened and will only further hurt student and alumni support of our basketball program. Jim Valvano was part of NCSU's basketball troubles, but he also deserves to be a part of the solution. Forcing one coach out will not erase the problems which are fundamental to big-time college athletics.

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Readers protest call for basketball program shutdown

Technician Campus Forum

bench.

And considering that NCSU does not receive the academic and institutional recognition within the state of North Carolina that, say, Kansas State University does in the state of Kansas and Michigan State University does in the state of Michigan, we should keep this latest particular unhappy chapter in perspective as the proper educational authorities come to a judgment on these alleged past irregularities.

DAVID P. MCKNIGHT
Ninth District Congressional Candidate
Charlotte, NC

I am a loyal N.C. State fan who has suffered along with basketball head coach Jim Valvano, team members, fans and NCSU. My letter is in support of Valvano remaining as the head coach at NCSU. His abilities as a coach are excellent, his loyalty to North Carolinians remarkable, and his stability through all this travesty commendable.

No more! It is time for all the top people to get together, sit down and come up with a viable solution to solve NCSU's problems. And this can be done without parting company with coach Valvano. He is still an asset to NCSU.

Don't make the mistake of casting out a diamond because the fog is too thick to see through. Rely on your intelligence as leaders of NCSU and the community to make the right decisions.

Don't be railroaded. Wrong has been done but can be righted. With top officials, Valvano and the student body working together, we can overcome, prosper, grow

every inhabitant will enjoy equal rights, treatment and opportunity in every sphere of endeavor—constitutional, social and economic."

True to his word, de Klerk unconditionally released all political prisoners not convicted of violent crimes, unbanned all political organizations, legalized peaceful demonstrations, suspended the death penalty, announced the repeal of the separate amenities act, lifted the emergency media restrictions, de-politicized the police force and opened the door to all parties willing to negotiate peacefully.

In response, the ANC, including Nelson Mandela, called for the intensification of the armed struggle, the nationalization of the economy, saluted the South African

and be great as a leading university should be.

My son hopes someday to graduate from NCSU, a university to be very proud of. Hold your head high NCSU, we will weather this storm.

In closing I want to personally thank Valvano and the entire NCSU basketball team of the past five years for rekindling my love for the sport of basketball and giving me and my family years of joy and excitement.

I certainly look forward to all of the future games. It just would not be the same without Valvano on those sidelines leading NCSU to victory.

MURIEL T. FOX
Sanford, NC

Adolph Rupp, Clair Bee and the many other coaches involved with college point-shaving never could have stopped it. It is impossible to detect from the bench.

The president of the University of North Carolina System, C.D. Spangler, has stated the following: "It is sad and unfortunate and I want to see anyone involved in improper activities punished."

Let's get off our high horse, Spangler. You let things get out of hand in North Carolina.

Three years ago at UNC-Wilmington, my 19-year-old son was allowed to drown in the university pool because of the improper instructions given the lifeguards by the swimming coach. This is documented. Not only did the coach not receive a reprimand, he received a raise.

Something is wrong with the entire system in North Carolina. It is not head basketball coach Jim Valvano's fault.

ROBERT J. PRAISNER, DDS, FAGD
Chester, New Jersey

Communist Party, demanded increased economic sanctions, increased its campaign of violence in Natal and recently blocked a key summit in Zaire at which de Klerk was to meet with President Mobutu Sese Seko and five other leaders from neighboring states to further African unity and development.

Clearly the ANC has no intention of negotiating with the government. Unfortunately, the longer the ANC postpones constructive dialogue, the longer blacks in South Africa will have to wait for the true freedoms they deserve.

TIMOTHY K. MOORE
Campbell University

Intramurals

Africa, Primetime victorious

By Jeff Vukovich
Staff Writer

In the Men's Open Division I finals, The Session pulled away from the Juice Crew and won easily 63-45. The Session beat 4U2NV 52-49 and the Juice Crew slipped past Funky Dreds 50-44 in the semi-finals.

Africa put on a fine defensive effort to defeat Da Boyz 41-38. Africa lost to Da Boyz earlier this season. But this time, Africa got clutch free throws from Ron Murphy and great performances from Ron Burns and Kedrun Sprill to claim the Division II championship.

Primetime broke open a close game in the second half and cruised to a 71-50 victory over Fresh Crew in the Division III championship. Chris Ritter had 26 points while Eric Trumpower and Chris Corders pulled down nine rebounds. Primetime advances to the Men's Open Championship which will be played next Monday night. They will play the winner of the game between Africa and The Session.

In the Fraternity "C" championship, Sigma Alpha Epsilon rallied from as much as 13 points down to defeat Pi Kappa Alpha 40-38. SAE's Pat McCall tied the score at 38-38 with a 10-foot bank shot. After a PKA turnover, SAE held for the last shot. With eight seconds left, Christian Petretich hit a 12-footer from the baseline to win the game. David Butler was the leading scorer for SAE with 14 points.

In the Women's four-player basketball finals, Who's Good nipped JGS 47-46. In the Men's four-player championship, 4-In-A-Jam romped by Vet Med 70-37.

Announcements

Interviews for Men's and Women's Residence Athletic Director positions for next year will be held on Wednesday April 18 from 2-4 pm and Thursday April 19 from 4-6 pm. Call Randy or Lisa at 737-3161 if you have any questions.

Men's and Women's Open Golf tournament registration will begin on Monday, March 19.

The newly formed N.C. State Tennis Club is sponsoring the First Annual NCSU Open Tennis Tournament from March 31st-April 1st. The competition will consist of both men's and women's singles and doubles matches and mixed doubles.

Entry forms are available in the NCSU Intramural office. All entries must be in by Wednesday, March 28 by 5 pm. If you have any questions, call Club President, Kim Maw, at 831-0368.

Lacrosse (men)
Saturday, March 17
NCSU vs. Cape Fear
Lower Miller Fields, areas 5 and 6
Sunday, March 18
NCSU vs. UNC-G

Lower Miller Fields, areas 5 and 6

Lacrosse (women)
Saturday, March 17
NCSU vs. Lynchburg
Lynchburg, Va.
Sunday March 18
NCSU vs. UNC-G
Lower Miller Fields, areas 5 and 6

Sailing
Saturday March 17 and Sunday March 18
Recreational sailing at Lake Wheeler

Baseball
Sunday, March 18
NCSU vs. UNC-G
Doubleheader
Lions Park in Raleigh

Windsurfing
Sunday, March 18
Recreational sailing
Lake Jordan

Squash Clinic Meeting
Monday, March 19 at 6 p.m.
Students, faculty and staff are welcome.
For additional information call Jack Stewart at 2486.

Technician would like to wish the Wolfpack Women good luck Saturday against Michigan.

2 divers qualify for NCAA championships

By Mark Cartner
Staff Writer

N.C. State's men divers were among 48 that competed in the zone 3 regional last weekend for the right to advance to next week's NCAA Championships in Indianapolis.

Unlike swimmers, who automatically qualify during the season when they obtain the NCAA's qualifying time, divers must participate in a regional contest to gain a spot in the championships.

State took three divers to the regional held at the University of Kentucky in Lexington March 9-10.

Two time ACC diving MVP Kurt Candler scored 497.35 points to finish in the sixth and final qualifying spot for the three-meter competition in Indianapolis.

The one-meter saw teammate Simon Jackson score 451.7 points to finish fifth and qualify for

the NCAA's. Candler was just one point behind in sixth and will go to Indianapolis as an alternate, since only the top five qualify for the one-meter event.

Jackson was eighth on three meter, scoring 495.30 points. The third Wolfpack diver, Pat McCord, finished 11th on one meter and 13th on three meter. McCord was this year's ACC three meter champion.

State diving coach John Candler was pleased with the weekend's results.

"Going in I thought we had a chance to qualify all three boys and we got two," Candler said. "I would have been elated if Patrick could have made it, but I'm happy with our performances."

Candler cited the competition among the top 15 divers as the closest he's ever seen. He also pointed out that no other ACC school qualified a diver for the NCAA's.

"I haven't seen a regional in my four years that was this competitive," Kurt Candler said. "I'm

not setting any goals for the NCAA's. I'll just do the best I can."

While Kurt Candler is making a return trip to the national championships, this will be sophomore Jackson's first.

"I surprised myself," Jackson said. "I was hoping to do well but I didn't know if I would." By qualifying, both divers have assured themselves of being ranked in the top 24 divers in the country. If they can place in the top 16 next week they will make all-American.

Also, by qualifying on the springboards, both Candler and Jackson gained an automatic bid to compete on the 10 meter platform. However, Candler's triceps, which has hindered him all season is still only 80 percent well and Jackson doesn't have a full list yet on the 10 meter so neither will compete in that event.

The NCAA Championships will be held March 22-24 in Indianapolis.

Yow surprised about toughness of Midwest

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The NCAA has a tradition of sending regional hosts back to play on their home floors. In this case third-seeded Texas gets to play at home even though they are likely to be the lower ranked team in any game played there.

"In women's basketball that's what we do," Yow said. "If the regional host is in the tournament, they're put in a bracket that would lead back to the home arena. It's because of attendance."

Although Yow understands the policy, she's not particularly happy State could come out on the wrong end of the home court advantage. Especially against a Texas team that averages over 8,500 fans for regular season games.

"Obviously in the competitive world it's unfair," she said. "A second seed should be better off."

As if the home court advantage wasn't enough, State must also deal with the Texas basketball team. The Longhorns' biggest weapon is size, with two 6-4 starters and a 6-9 backup center, which could give State trouble inside.

Still, this Texas team isn't as strong as those of previous years, as evidenced by last month's loss to Arkansas, its first conference loss in 12 years.

To make the Final Four, State will

probably also have to get by unbeaten Louisiana Tech. Ranked number one most of the year, they are led by all-American center Venus Lacy, who averages 24 points and 13 rebounds a game.

Yow was surprised by how tough the Midwest region is, as well as the fact the Wolfpack was sent there while three other ACC teams stayed in the East.

"If a team went to the Midwest and won, they'd be surprised that they still had to win two more games to win the championship. It's that tough," she said.

"I was surprised to see where we had been sent, especially with every other ACC team in the East. We would have preferred that, because the East is obviously where our fans could go."

"Clemson and Maryland are seeded fifth and sixth, but they're probably better off because they're closer to home. I think it would have been easier to be seeded lower and stay in the East."

In spite of the tough bracket, Yow says the Wolfpack is ready to make a run.

"If we get by Michigan, we're going to Austin to win. If we're playing at our best, we can be competitive with anybody."

State and Michigan tip off at 2 p.m. Saturday in Reynolds Coliseum.

Come watch the Wolfpack Women host the Michigan Wolverines in the second round of the NCAA Tournament in Reynolds Coliseum at 2 p.m.

Gymnasts

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out the top three with a 9.35.

The Wolfpack dominated the all-around, placing gymnasts in first, second, and both slots in the tie for third. Tart received first with her score of 36.85 and Bishop followed in second with a 36.50. Chester and Buttlar tied for third.

Sandwiched between two victories was a loss at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. The final tally was the Pack 178.90, GWU 179.85 and the University of Maryland 181.15.

State had to compete first in the event that has been its stumbling block all year, the beam. Moreno received a 9.20, Tart scored an 8.85, and Michelle Ingham rounded out the top three for the Pack with an 8.50.

Still, the scores were not enough as the Pack's 41.90 mark left them trailing GWU's 44.60 and Maryland's 44.70.

Next, State had a chance to shine in the floor exercises but could not capitalize on its previous success in the event. The Wolfpack tied with GWU, sharing a score of 44.70, while Maryland slightly nudged the other teams with a 44.80.

Bishop's 9.30 led the Pack, followed by Buttlar's 9.00 and Chester's 8.90.

The vault provided State an opportunity to catch up as their 46.60 outdistanced GWU's 45.25 and Maryland's 45.95 score.

Leading the Pack were Jansen and Buttlar, each garnering a 9.35 for their vaults.

The final event, the uneven bars, could not save the Pack. They overcame GWU's 45.40 mark with a score of 45.70, but

Maryland posted a 45.80. Nonetheless, Bishop and Tart received 9.35s and Jansen followed with a 9.15.

Maryland dominated the all-around event. First place went to the Terps' Vonnie Raner and her teammate, Erin Knight, captured second. State's top all-arounder was Bishop, who placed sixth.

Two days later, on March 8, the Wolfpack made a comeback in a dual competition with Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

The Pack answered IUP's 181.50 mark with 182.80, to avenge an earlier loss.

The State team once again showed its strength in the vault, outscoring IUP 47.25 to 46.30. Each of the team's top three scorers set individual season highs with their vault performances: Bishop with a match high of 9.60, Tart with a 9.55 and Jansen with a 9.45.

State's gymnasts also led IUP in the uneven bars, 45.80 to 44.90. Tart and Buttlar tied for the team's and the match's top score and Bishop took third in the match with a 9.15 mark.

Kris Cadman, a sophomore from McKeesport, Penn., achieved a season high of 8.95.

State triumphed over IUP in the balance beam, receiving a 44.50 to the 43.80 of IUP. Moreno led the match with a 9.20 with Buttlar second at 9.05 and Tart third at mark of 8.85.

Surprisingly, the Wolfpack struggled through the floor exercises, an event that has previously been a savior for the team, and fell to IUP in the event by a score of 45.25 to 46.50.

Buttlar led the team receiving a 9.50 for her routine.

All-around honors for State were won by Buttlar, with a tally of 37.30, and by Bishop with a 36.80 mark.

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