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It's a long-standing tradition for Duke to have a mascot named Duke. The Duke Duke mascot is a Duke University student who wears a Duke University sweatshirt and a Duke University hat. See page 15.



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Scholars discuss psychiatric care

Recent studies have shown that law enforcement officials can be effective in ensuring that mentally ill people take their prescribed medication.

By MARKO DJURANOVIC
The Chronicle

When it comes to dealing with the mentally ill, treatments are difficult to administer and are very often controversial. All too often, psychiatric patients end up in the hospital over and over again because they do not self-administer prescribed treatments.

"You see patients coming in and out of a hospital and it's demoralizing," said Dr. Martin Schwartz, head of Duke's Division of Social and Community Psychiatry.

A recent study has found an effective but controversial approach that leaves less endorsement with doctors. Having a judge order a patient to stick to his treatment can achieve promising results.

The study's results, published in the April issue of the British Journal of Psychiatry and the December 1999 issue of the American Journal of Psychiatry, found that treatment encouraged by the force of law can reduce the number of violent acts committed by psychiatric patients as well as reduce their rates of hospital readmission.

But the issue at the heart of this matter has to do with the limits of this approach, ruled broad, unyielding outpatient commitment program. Mary

See MENTAL ILLNESS on page 8.

CAPS director named interim VP

Jim Clack will serve during the search for a new Student Affairs leader

By JAMIE LEVY
The Chronicle

President Nan Keohane announced Monday that Jim Clack, director of Counseling and Psychological Services, will serve as interim vice president for student affairs.

Clack will be vice president during the national search seeking a replacement for current Vice President for Student Affairs Janet Dickinson, who will leave July 1 for a similar position at Princeton University.

The search committee has not yet been named.

"[Clack] is very highly regarded both by people in Student Affairs and in other parts of Duke, and is clearly someone people respect and enjoy working with," Keohane said. "He is also enthusiastic about using the post for active service, really making a difference on some key issues during his time in office."

Both Keohane and Clack pointed to alcohol, diversity, residential life and academic integrity as the four primary issues that would come up during his term.

Clack stressed his interest in ensuring that students who drink do so responsibly.

He also wants to be sure



JIM CLACK will take up the helm of the campus alcohol discussions when he becomes interim vice president for student affairs.

that "if it is going to happen, it's going to happen in healthy and safe ways."

Instead of focusing on cut-down solutions to excessive drinking, Clack is interested in making stu-

dent interaction the best way to ameliorate a dangerous culture.

"I think students get caught in the thing of where they might be aware of fellow students' health."

See CLACK on page 9.

Dorm-building project promises changes this fall

Campus conversation will now turn to space allocation

By GREG PESSIN
The Chronicle

Some say it's at the heart of all of the University's social problems.

West Campus space allocation, the topic of some of the University's most contentious debates over the last decade, will once again become the focus of campus discussion this fall.

Although Residential Program Review director Judith White still must plan the four-year Main West Campus dormitory renovation project beginning in fall 2001, she will also begin leading the residential life steering committee toward creating a new space allocation scheme.

"Allocation is one piece of the larger map of what we want the whole residential area for upperclassmen to look like at the end of renovations," White said. "Next fall is a good time for us to start talking because we really need to align our long-term goals with where the SPACE ALLOCATION on page 8.



THE CURRENT CONFIGURATION of quadrangles as mixes of different kinds of groups is likely to be changed once the new dormitory is built.

The construction is likely to inconvenience many students

By GREG PESSIN
The Chronicle

Almost as soon as the final graduate leaves campus May 17, dump trucks and bulldozers will roll onto campus for a two-year stint excavating the Ocean parking lot and building a new dormitory complex there.

After fences are erected and Wannamaker Drive is closed off, the workers will spend the bulk of the summer preparing the site for the 385-bed dormitory quadrangle that will eventually take shape around the current parking lot.

At the same time, University officials will be warning students about the changes they will find when they return to campus—altered parking areas, new pedestrian paths between Edens and Main West quadrangles and noise and dust from a massive construction project, said Judith White, director of the Residential Program Review.

Through e-mails, the Residential Program Review will keep students informed of the CONSTRUCTION on page 9.

NEWSFILE

Gunfire wounds 8 children in D.C. zoo

Gunfire rang through the National Zoo in Washington on Monday evening in a feud between youths turned violent, leaving a 12-year-old boy brain dead and five other children wounded.

Chechen rebels attack Russian troops

Just days after Chechnya's separatist Aslan Maskhadov allegedly ordered guerrilla commanders to suspend fighting for peace talks, rebels attacked a Russian military convoy Sunday, Russian officials said Monday.

Albright responds to laptop disappearance

After the disappearance of a laptop with highly sensitive files, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright Monday stripped her intelligence officer of his right to police itself.

Republicans criticize weekend raid in Miami

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., joined a growing chorus of Republican critics Monday over the use of force in last weekend's raid on the home of Elian Gonzalez's Miami relatives.

Cholera outbreak kills nearly 400 Somalians

Cholera outbreaks are sweeping through the famine-ridden villages in northwestern Somalia, killing nearly 400 people in the past two weeks, local authorities said Monday.

Nike chair Knight cancels contribution

Nike chair Phil Knight will not make a \$30 million gift to his alma mater, the University of Oregon, because of the university's decision to join the Workers Rights Consortium, a student-backed monitoring group.

Justice Dept. urges Microsoft breakup

Prosecutors recommend the creation of two separate software companies

By JOEL BRINKLEY
and STEVE LOHR
NY Times News Service

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department intends to ask a federal judge this week to break Microsoft into two companies to bring about competition in the software industry, officials and others aware of the government's deliberations said Monday.

The proposal comes less than a month after settlement talks between the government and Microsoft broke down and a federal judge found Microsoft in wide violation of federal and state antitrust laws.

But even though the judge,

Thomas Jackson, ruled that the company was a predatory monopolist, there is no assurance that he will accept the proposed remedy.

Microsoft called the idea "a radical and extreme example of government regulation that would be bad for consumers and for the high-tech economy." A spokesperson, Mark Murray, added, "There is no basis in the evidence presented in this case for this sort of radical remedy."

Several people with knowledge of the Justice Department's plan said it called for one company to retain the Windows operating-system business and for the other to take the rest of Microsoft's operations, including software pro-

grams like Word and Excel, Microsoft's Web browser and its Internet businesses.

The result would be about a 90-40 split of Microsoft's estimated \$28 billion in revenue this year, with operating systems being the larger share. While in some ways the plan would create two monopolies in place of one, the promise is that their incentives would differ and that they would therefore behave differently.

The Justice Department's indication to seek a breakup of the company was reported Monday by The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post and USA Today.

See MICROSOFT on page 5

Rebels take 20 hostages in Malaysia

By RANJAN ROY
Associated Press

SEMPORNA, Malaysia — Rescue teams searching southeast Asian was Monday zeroed in on a band of heavily armed assailants, who had stormed one of the world's top diving resorts and sped off with 20 hostages.

An American couple escaped by refusing to swim out to the kidnappers' boats and then hiding overnight in nearby bushes.

Philippine Marine rebels who are seeking the release of militants jailed in the United States claimed responsibility Tuesday for the kidnapping. But Philippine officials quickly expressed skepticism over the statement.

Defense Minister Najib Tun Razak said Monday that an air-and-sea search team had determined where the hostages—half of whom were foreign tourists—were being held, following their abduction the previous evening on the lush Sipadan Island in eastern Malaysia.

"We now know their exact location," Najib said without giving details.

The Philippine and Malaysian navies were coordinating the rescue effort.

Malaysian police said they suspected "political motives" were behind the attack. "We believe a foreign element is involved," Inspector General of Police Norizan Mat said.

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Student harassment case dropped

By JAMIE LEVY
The Chronicle

The case involving a student arrested for violating a restraining order was dismissed last week due to First Amendment concerns.

Purdue senior Albert Etkin was taken to court last week for posting messages on DevilNet that his girlfriend loved threatening. A domestic violence protection order, issued against Etkin in late February, specifically said he could not post on DevilNet if he referred to the victim.

But the judge dismissed the case after prosecutor Ashley Jenkins pointed out that Etkin's postings to a DevilNet bulletin board were not specifically directed at the victim and that he is therefore protected from prosecution by the First Amendment. "If he made any threats, then I would do my best to do something about it," Jenkins said.

The restraining order is still in effect, but 1c. 35m-3-6-1000—the Campus Police officer working on the case—said that because the district attorney will not prosecute for indecent exposure, she will not try to obtain another warrant against Etkin for doing so. "I think it is highly unlikely that someone will take off a warrant on that particular point of the restraining order," Jenkins said.

Jenkins added that because the case is in criminal court, the Trinity junior cannot appeal the district attorney's decision. "The victim doesn't have any rights in the criminal court system," Jenkins said. "All she can do is live with the decision."

Etkin said he is still harassed from Central Campus, where the victim lives, and the Alumni Union.

See COURT CASE on page 1-B

Sleep clinic seeks respite for the weary

Medical Center faculty use behavior modification to help patients fight insomnia

By ELIZABETH CANTER
The Chronicle

With about 70 different sleep-related illnesses, more than 40 million Americans suffer from little or no shut-eye. For the students and others experiencing sleepless nights or daytime in bed, the Medical Center's Sleep Disorders Clinic seeks to help.

The clinic is the result of collaboration between the neurology and psychiatry departments at the Medical Center, explained Gail Marsh, associate professor of medical psychology. "The world of sleep disorders is split between people with insomnia and people who sleep excessively during the day," he said. "The neurology department deals with those who have excessive daytime sleeping, while the psychiatry half deals mostly with insomnia."

Marsh, who deals mostly with non-clinical insomnia research at the clinic, explained that insomnia is a serious disease that is hard to outgrow. "Once you learn to become an insomniac, it becomes conditioned," he said. "People train themselves to become tense right before bedtime, and you can visibly see them tighten up and their blood pressure increase."

Marsh said the Medical Center has developed and is exploring new insomnia treatments. "Our insomnia treatment group pioneered a technique called behavior modification techniques," he said. "Those work better in the long run than sleeping pills, which tend to lose their utility over time." He explained that behavioral treatment tries to relax patients at bedtime, working to clear their mind. "Treatments try and lure these emotional laden thoughts," he said, adding that this behavioral treatment needs to be tailored for each patient.

Marsh emphasized that maintaining a consistent sleep schedule is key in modifying an insomniac's behavior. "We try and combine (behavioral) techniques and put them together in a package for each patient," he said. "We're



LEIGH GOGGON, a data technician at Duke's sleep disorders clinic, assists a patient at the Medical Center.

still working on how to balance that package and what you need exactly."

A fairly widespread problem, insomnia is one of a few diseases that is mostly self-diagnosed. "Patients come into the center and tell us they have insomnia," he said. "We ask a few questions and then say OK and try and treat it."

But sleep disorders extend far beyond insomnia.

Dr. Asif Husain, director of clinical neurophysiology training programs at the clinic, said that any negative impact of sleep on an individual's performance warrants treatment. "It doesn't need to be serious at all, it only needs to be disabling," he said. "If a student feels it's affecting his school work or social life, then the individual should come get help."

Trinity freshman Joshua Zaemher, who got less than four hours of sleep each night for weeks at a time first semester,

said she did not explore the clinic as an option because the problem eventually went away on its own. She added that writing in a diary has helped her sleep.

Because there are many different levels and degrees of insomnia, the center does partially screen its patients by asking a few questions before beginning treatment. "Chronic insomnia is technically something that you've had to have had from three to six months, and experienced two or three nights a week," Marsh said. "So we ask questions so we can just focus on those who are chronically ill."

He added that a recent trauma might cause some temporary difficulty in sleeping. "The more transient folks usually get better by themselves, but if their problem becomes chronic then they should seek treatment," Marsh said.

Depression is another common cause

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Juniors open Marketplace to homeless for Easter meal

By GREG PESSIN
The Chronicle

On most weekend afternoons, sleepy freshmen in their flannel shirts or running shorts fill the Marketplace, nibbling on French toast sticks, pasta and salads. The crowd that filled the Marketplace last Saturday was markedly different.

Seventy-five residents of the Community Shelter for Hope came to the Marketplace for a free Easter dinner Saturday, thanks to an effort planned and funded by two Trinity juniors and aided by three Marketplace employees and several other undergraduates.

Roommates Anil Vedula and Neil Ghodadra dreamed up the idea last semester. The pair began planning and calling administrators after Ghodadra and his family helped with an Atlanta holiday hunger drive last year.

"They were really flexible and open to the idea," Ghodadra said. "They were thinking we could get food from the Marketplace, but I thought we should get people here as a change of scenery and because it's a nice place to eat." They arranged for a Duke Transit bus to take the guests in and from the dinner and for the food to be cooked by Dining Services employees.

"We thought this would be a good way of providing help at a time when everyone needs a good meal," Vedula said. "We helped provide this unity between the Duke and Durham communi-

ty and think we should provide more of these opportunities to show Duke is really interested in helping the Durham community."

Originally, they wanted to turn the Marketplace into a soup kitchen for Thanksgiving, but they eventually realized that a November project would be too big a project so early in the year. The Easter meal is designed as a start for an annual program that will include Thanksgiving, too.

Most of the organizers' time was spent planning the event and securing the food, although they got some time to chat with their guests.

"They were really interesting people," Ghodadra said. "One guy was reading a book about Oscar Wilde and talking about him. Even I didn't know what he was talking about."

Another guest explained to Ghodadra the health benefits and philosophical underpinnings of vegetarianism, claiming that primitive man was vegetarian and that humans should not think of themselves as above other animals.

"Once people were in there, it was fun. I had a really great time," Ghodadra said. "There were families eating and kids running around. One kid was running around with a banana, and I thought, 'What a great scene.' But the best part is when they all said thank you. It made me feel like I was really making a difference."



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April 24, 2000

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Please know your limits, and look out for your friends! Everyone wants to have a good time, but there's no need to see anyone hurt or hospitalized due to alcohol. It's important that we look out for each other, especially when partying. If you see someone in need of help, call 911 or notify your RA.

We're looking forward to a fun and safe Last Day of Classes. Please help ensure that you and your friends have an amazing time that doesn't turn dangerous. See you on the quad!

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*Janet Smith Dickerson*Janet Smith Dickerson
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DSG President

Involuntary treatment plan spurs ethical concerns

> MENTAL ILLNESS (two pages)

Zdenewicz, executive director of the Treatment Advocacy Center, said nearly half of individuals diagnosed with schizophrenia and major depressive illness suffer from an inability to recognize that they are ill. Consequently, they do not seek their medication.

Under the laws suggested by the recent studies, if a patient is unable or unwilling to seek treatment, a physician may request a hearing with a judge. The patient is then assigned a course of treatment; if the patient does not comply with the treatment, the physician may request that law enforcement officers transport the patient to a clinic—

but at no time can patients be forced to take their medication. Swartz said this approach is used frequently but not abundantly by Durham judges.

Professor of Law and Philosophy Martin Gossling said this strategy of involuntary outpatient commitment should be carefully weighed against basic human rights. "It's a hot potato because the person in question hasn't done anything yet," he said.

Last summer, New York enacted an outpatient commitment program called Kendra's Law, named after Kendra Webdale, who was pushed to her death by a schizophrenic who neglected to take his medication.

"The Kendra Webdale case is tragic, but also rare," said Swartz, pointing out that the violence rate of the severely mentally ill, when separated from substance abuse, is relatively minor.

However, Zdenewicz believes that Webdale's tragic death was generally representative of real problems that need to be addressed. "New York had more than its share of similar tragedies which resulted in large part because the state did little to ensure treatment compliance for individuals who need medication to live safely in the community," she said.

But balancing effectiveness of treatments and personal safety with preserving patients' autonomy makes this such

a tricky issue. Elizabeth Kiese, director of the Kenan Institute for Ethics, emphasized the need to respect people's autonomy. "On one hand, we're moving toward a more draconian, punitive approach," said Kiese, citing a decrease in competency and trying minors as adults as examples. "But there's also a greater understanding of mental illness."

She added that it is hard to know why certain treatments may work. In her mind, the real challenge is in creating "a community framework which sustains the treatment of mentally ill," she said. "In the best of possible worlds, there should be someone other than a judge telling them to take the medicine."

Justice Department readies plan to break up Microsoft

> MICROSOFT (two pages)

As recently as last week, officials said the 19 states that joined with the Justice Department in the case appeared to be seeking remedies short of a breakup. Now that the states have been briefed on the federal plan, they generally support it, several officials said.

But it is not clear whether the states will endorse the plan in full or formulate a plan of their own by Friday, the deadline set by the judge. It also remains possible that the states will fail to agree among themselves, in which case they are to submit a proposal based on the opinion of the majority.

The broad idea behind the Justice Department's plan is to create incentives for increased competition in the operating-system and related businesses. One reason Windows has no significant competitors is that Microsoft generally does not create software for non-Windows operating systems, with the exception of Apple Computer's.

Microsoft Office, the suite of programs that includes

Word for word processing and Excel for spreadsheet calculations, commands over 90 percent of that business, known as application software, on an operating system that cannot work with Office stands little chance of prospering.

But Microsoft argues that a new applications software company would have no more incentive to write for smaller operating systems than the company does now. Murray, the Microsoft spokesman, said, "There is no evidence that would lead anyone to believe that Office stands as the linchpin for resolving all of the government's concerns."

Because any break-up proposal would almost certainly be stayed pending appeal, the government plans to ask for several interim restrictions on Microsoft's behavior, to remain in force for three years if a break-up plan is ultimately approved and implemented, and 10 years if it is not.

As part of these so-called conduct remedies, Microsoft would have to publish a standardized price list for Win-

dows so that the company could not raise the price for companies that do not go along with Microsoft's requests. Microsoft would be forbidden to strike exclusive contracts with other companies, as it did with Internet service providers that in past years were asked to install Microsoft's web browser and no others.

Microsoft would also have to make available the Windows interface code that allow other companies to write programs for Windows without discrimination.

And the company would not be allowed to build certain new applications, such as Web browsers and media players, into Windows without also offering a version of Windows that did not provide access to that new application. Computer makers would get a discount on Windows if they asked for Windows without the new features.

Microsoft called most of these ideas excessive, beyond the scope of the evidence presented during the trial, and notes that these conduct remedies might be stayed pending appeal, along with the breakup proposal.

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Nocturnal students may adjust poorly to adult hours

By MARY MARSH

of insomnia. Their insomnia can be traced by just putting them on antidepressants and solving that problem," Marsh added. The more typical causes of the dozens of different types of insomnia are largely unknown, although Marsh said that the condition does seem to be genetic in some cases. Marsh explained that because there are so many different types of the illness, many with overlapping or unclear symptoms, it is hard to pinpoint causes.

"Some people have had trouble sleeping since they were babies, and they're called primary insomniacs," Marsh said. "At the other end of the spectrum are kids who just feel like they're not getting enough sleep, even when their sleep monitors show us that they are getting a pretty good night's rest."

The other focus of the clinic, excessive daytime sleeping, largely addresses sleep apnea, a disease

caused by breathing problems, and narcolepsy, a neurological problem resulting in uncontrollable napping.

Husain explained that sleep apnea is generally caused by being overweight and although the cause of narcolepsy is largely unknown, it does tend to run in families. "In diagnosis these patients who might suffer from excessive daytime sleeping, they will need to spend the night in the hospital so we can monitor their breathing, heart rate and brain waves," He added that some patients may need medication.

The clinic, which Husain said has been official for only two years, is working to reach out into the community and raise awareness. He said that although he does not see support groups for his patients, some of the clinic's doctors do choose this option.

Marsh explained that some of the clinic's specialists go out and give speeches to other physicians and audiences. "There are lectures at Duke about three to

five times a year to answer questions about sleep disorders," he said. "We are trying to get more attention out there in the community."

For Duke students, many of whom go to bed in the wee hours of the morning, Marsh worries that four years of this unbalanced nighttime schedule lead to similarly harmful habits later in life. "When students who go to bed at five every morning for four years graduate and go to Wall Street, they often have to deal with their disorders to make it to their day jobs on time," he said. "Fortunately there are behavioral techniques to deal with this."

He added that of the students who do come in the clinic, many are seniors facing graduation and a more daytime-oriented work schedule. "We get some students who come in, but mostly after they have sought help from counseling services, who then refer them over here," he added.

Court case tossed

By COURT COOK

The victim, who was out of town Monday, dated Erik for a month and a half; their relationship ended in December 1998. The victim said earlier that Erik had been harassing her more than, and that it "has gotten progressively worse" this semester.

Erik, however, denies the victim's allegations. "I have called that girl once in the past year, and maybe a half dozen e-mails after that phone call until she asked me to stop," he wrote in an e-mail. "At no point until she asked me to stop did she make me aware I was harassing her." He added that his postings to DevilNet, which is affiliated with The Chronicle, were not meant to be threatening and were instead designed to help him with "recognition of some thoughts."

DevilNet Editor Jeri Weinstock, a Trinity junior, said Erik can still post on the site, but all posted e-mail addresses are listed. "We will only take action in the event that he or any other user posts something legally problematic," Weinstock wrote in an e-mail.

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Plan for independent student clusters draws support

• SPACE ALLOCATION (from page 1)

We're going to move people when their dorms are being renovated."

The review began in spring 1997 with questions about allocation—the placement of sophomore in Trent and the racial homogeneity of West Campus—but after a few years, its focus changed from philosophical to architectural.

By next year, though, the schedule of West Campus renovations and upperclass students' temporary displacement to Trent Drive Hall could affect housing preferences. Students might shy away from rushing or picking houses that would be moved for renovation later in those college careers.

As a result, the campus conversation will return to space allocation, to questions about where fraternities, theme houses and independents might be placed once all construction is completed in fall 2004.

"Opening the two dorm between Main West and Edens will be a very significant step in changing the way the campus climate feels residentially. I think it will be so fundamentally different as the shift of all first-year students to East Campus... because it will allow us to think in new ways about how we put different patterns of living groups together, how people make their choices for where they want to live," said President Mac Koshane. "We hope that it will allow us to encourage more stability, so that people expect to stay in a single house after they move, rather than sort of continually moving around and trading up, getting what they regard as better space."

Over the last year, the ideas of clustering similar living groups in certain West Campus quadrangles and directly linking East and West campus dormitories have already picked up steam. Because Koshane has guaranteed that fraternities and selective houses will remain in West, those questions of placement may become the focus of next year's dialogue.

"When we talk about allocation, we are assuming we want an independent

quadrangle or more than one," White said. "Given that independent students make up two-thirds of the upperclass residential group, is one quad enough, or would students want more than one?"

The strategy of clustering students by living preference first appeared in a plan written in February 1998 by the National Panelistic Council, the Interfraternity Council and the Black Student Alliance. Earlier this year, it appeared in a report presented to the Board of Trustees by William Chain, dean of the faculty of arts and sciences.

For years, some have argued that many minority students choose to avoid the fraternity-dominated West Campus lifestyle in favor of the quieter, cleaner Central Campus. This plan is designed as a compromise between fostering diversity of students and of living groups in West.

When thinking about the issue over the summer and in the fall, this balance should be at the front of students' minds, said incoming Duke Student Government President Jordan Beninsky. "I think we need to talk about this as an inclusive environment," the Trinity junior said. "We really need to have an inclusive campus and at the same time be receptive to living groups concerns."

Koshane thinks the clusters plan could be the best way to achieve that goal. "I know one of the biggest obstacles in the different types of preferences people have for the way they want to live, how loud they want to party and how quiet they want to be and how much they want to reach out to other folks for programs and how much they just want to get their work done," she said. "I don't think it's beyond our power to devise a system in which we have clusters of people living near each other who have relatively common goals without creating a fraternity ghetto or a selective living angle in which everybody is off by themselves."

Since last summer, students and administrators have also been testing around the idea of linking East Campus dormitories to West Campus houses, so



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THE TRANSITION FROM EAST CAMPUS to West Campus may be smoothed by more formal connections between first-year and upperclass houses.

that students would always be guaranteed a spot in a house among their freshman friends. In other words, students who did not rush a selective house would be guaranteed space together in an independent West Campus dorm affiliated with their freshman house.

Many independent students argue that the idea could eliminate the social stigma of independent housing pools, the general unfamiliarity of neighbors on West and the incentive to join selective groups even if students would otherwise not wish to do so.

Since then, White said, the idea for a link has developed into a flexible model, where students could always return to the West Campus house after living in selective houses, and the West link could serve as a home base if friendly faces and a familiar lifestyle.

"I don't know if that will be a decision that will be made in the end, but it's an example of the kind of thing people are talking about, and that would create a sense of continuity in itself," Koshane said. "If people know they can move together to a space which is as attractive as any other—and all these spaces ought to be equally attractive—then I think it will create a whole different set of choices, so that I would certainly think there would still be selective groups, but people may have different motivations for pledging them. They may have a set of members who are there for reasons that have to do with their desire to build a particular community, not to live in a particular space, and I think that will make a big difference."

Dece Ingram and Richard Rubin contributed to this story.

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Clack hopes to become more well-known among students

BY CLACK (see page 1)

...but they're reluctant to confront fellow students about it because of fears of loss of friendships," said Clack, who is currently co-chair with Dickerson, of the alcohol task force. "Without support for intervention and treatment, 'tired students' help students, it's going to be extremely difficult."

Clack said he would like to see his philosophy about interpersonal relationships infused into every aspect of Duke life.

Describing his practice of saying "good morning" to everyone he passes on his way to work, Clack said students frequently seem shocked by his friendliness.

"I would hope that I can help Duke in some small way to become a more friendly, caring, compassionate, civil place, and that means students being concerned about caring about each other and behaving in that way," he said.

Dickerson said Clack's personality is characterized by a balance of seriousness and humor.

"His willing to speak up and help any group he's part of come to a conclusion in a way that is timely," she said. "He's good. He's great. I love him."

As director of CAPS, Clack works mostly with individual students and small groups of staff and faculty.

Although he is teaching a freshman seminar this semester, Clack acknowledged that his reputation with students is not particularly wide-reaching.

"I'm going to have to get out and about," he said. "[But] it comes easy for me. I really think that if students know me, we'll get along fine."

Jim Lannette, co-chair of the task force's cultural assessment subcommittee and the student point-person for alcohol discussions this summer, said he is confident that Clack will be able to work with students, even if he does not know them yet.

"Jim has a great rapport with students I've seen," said Lannette, a Trinity junior. "He treats students as colleagues and peers, not as a student-administrator relationship."

Clack, 68, said he was unsure whether he would be interested in the permanent post, adding that his appointment as interim vice president was his last action.

Keshner said she will not address the question of whether Clack is a candidate until a search begins.

"We agreed that he will need to focus his attention on the interim vice presidency in the early months, especially, and that we won't address the question of whether he'll decide to be a candidate until we are well into the search," Keshner said. "This will mean that he can concentrate on getting the job done and not be distracted by thinking about next steps from the start."

Keshner said she expects to name a search committee by the end of the academic year, although the search itself will not start until the fall.

Construction workers plan to begin early in mornings

BY CONSTRUCTION (see page 1)

...grads. Review will explain general information to all returning students, and the Housing Assignments Office will send more specific information to students living adjacent to the site. Over the course of the summer, these two offices, along with the parking office, may collaborate on a mailing about final changes.

But perhaps the most drastic alteration will be the noise and dust the project brings with it. The workers' days will begin at 7 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. "That's with the understanding that people arrive at work at 7 a.m. but would not expect loud noise before 8 a.m.," White said. "At a certain point you can't trust students' sleeping hours and still get work done."

A few fraternity members said their housing decisions were not related to construction concerns; meanwhile, some independents said they had considered the inconvenience when choosing housing for next year.

"A lot of my friends are deciding not to live around this area because of construction," said Trinity junior Emmanuel Chang, who said his own move from Windsor to House G was not prompted by the project. "A lot of people won't like the noise."

Incoming Duke Student Government President Jerin Basinger, a Trinity junior, said that although the work will be a major inconvenience, it will be worth it in the end. "In the long

run, providing a dorm on West so that we can House out Trinity will be beneficial," he said. If the workers can begin school, they may work on the weekend, but students will be notified by their resident advisors in advance.

Wooden fences will surround the site near dormitories, and large chain-link fences covered with night mesh will surround the east. Workers will also periodically ask the site to keep dust at a minimum.

White said the builder, Ruston-Bacon-Benson Construction, has extensive experience at universities and research institutions. "They're used to working in sites right next to someone's residence hall or laboratory, and that's part of why we picked them," she said.

The project is expected to get final approval from the Board of Trustees in May. Administrators and architects are still deciding how to distribute residential, social and service space in the tower that will be at the quad's southeast corner, and connect it by elevator to Edman.

While it is now considering making the call on two stories, but that change would displace eight beds. So, the architects and the builders are meeting this week to find a place to make up the beds. "There are still parts of the plan that are still under consideration," she said. "As soon as students get back in the fall, we'll be looking for responses on this."

Julius Levy contributed to this story.

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Shotgun Blues

Tim Millington

The clunking, wheezing, soon-to-be-replaced search engine on The Chronicle's web page tells me that I've written 122 articles. Multiply that by the paper's circulation of 15,000, and that means there are 1.83 million copies of stories I've written drifting through the air—most assigned to a luminous ether of recycling dust, bound reference volumes and the shelves of long-dormant libraries. Then, throw in a year's worth of headlines I've written—my dubious favorite remains "Yahoo-fake-Duke! Devils rush Flintstones," the day Khan Brand and company dispatched Michigan State in the First Four last year. Finally, add a year of stirring Russos on the narrow road between lawless and tedious.

When you add it all up, few students ever get the kind of opportunity I've had to inflict my voice on the University community. Now, in article number 123, comes the crowning moment—an article in which I am allowed, almost obliged, to produce wit and wisdom about four years as a college journalist. Unfortunately, I've long since spent all my wit on *Recess* and I'm saving my wisdom for final exams. Plus, my mind warped so to

avoid "a long, meandering reflection" on my time at Duke—and if my own mother doesn't want to read my musings, it's a safe bet 15,000 strangers don't either.

So I can't be funny, clever or reflective, and I don't have much left to say about Duke. Instead, I've been pondering something else entirely: President Bill Clinton. He took office when I was in ninth grade, sparked Rob Duke when I was a freshman and now, he'll head out to pasture just after I start medical school. During the so-called "Roach Lindbergh" phase of my life—long suffered among the liberal extremists in The Chronicle's staff—I lauded Clinton. But recently, like Winston Smith, admitting that he loved Big Brother, I've confessed to myself that I'll look back

amidst the liberal extremists in The Chronicle's staff—I lauded Clinton. But recently, like Winston Smith, admitting that he loved Big Brother, I've confessed to myself that I'll look back

fondly on the Clinton years.

It's hard to imagine Americans electing another president in much longer than life—certainly not with only Al Gore and George W. Bush to choose from. It's hard to imagine a leader who could inspire his enemies to risk everything to smite him or his admirers to exorcise their ideals in his defense. It's hard to imagine a president who could seek to remake some of the nation's oddest prejudices and then risk antagonizing the world's oldest temptation.

But it's not the political theater of the Clinton presidency I'll remember with a smile. In my mind, Clinton and I became men together, admittedly by travelling in opposite directions. He

descended from a lofty, semi-divine position among the clouds—the President of the United States—to a very human figure yearning only for a favorable spot on the history books and perhaps a little R&R in a White House antechamber. In those same eight years, I've gone from being a shy prepubescent to a 21-year-old—still shy at times but mostly severely overconfident about my future.

From time to time, our paths have crossed. In March 1998, Clinton faced the prospect of impeachment and disgrace while I faced the prospect of a C in organic chemistry. Perhaps we drew strength from each other—he will leave office with high approval ratings and I found a way to get into my top-choice medical school. Two years ago, it seemed unthinkable.

So what does all this have to do with the 123 articles I've written for The Chronicle? Like Bill Clinton, the time has come when I start pondering

what my legacy is. Like the president, perhaps I'm deluding myself a little that in these closing days I can leave a lasting mark on the way my peers think of me.

Presidents and editors can't shape memories—people shape their own. For all the excitement they've held, my time with The Chronicle and Clinton's tenure in the White House will one day dim to nothing in the collective consciousness. My work here will be reduced to 153 yellowing pages in bound volumes of the paper, and Clinton's torch will be kept burning at a presidential library in Little Rock.

Even when we see in reminiscing about either of us, we'll have those shrines to ourselves to visit. I can only hope that Clinton looks back as fondly on 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue as I will on 301 Flowers.

Tim Millington is a Trinity senior and editor of *Recess*.

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A Duke education through the eyes of KP Dylan



Everyday Dharma

Kevin Pryde

One cold night a few months ago I was alone in the lounge, reading late, when an unexpected knock at my door oversteered about the living room windows and startled me. The clock read 11:45. I wasn't expecting any guests, although such random visitors aren't totally out of the ordinary, so I stood off the couch and peered through the shades into the odd, hazy January night.

There was a woman on the porch. A stranger. I slowly cracked the door about a foot open and said—or rather asked—"Hello?" Before I could even finish, my greeting/interrogation she began a few minutes. I need your help, and I need to come in the just a minute.

"What's the problem? Do you need something?"

"Yeah, I need help. I need \$20. Can I just come in for a second?"

I'm not sure that the printed word can appropriately capture the subtleties of this woman's speech. She was almost bullying me with her words, her requests. I was, by then, on the defensive.

"Twenty dollars? Why would I just give \$20 to a stranger?" Besides, I don't have any money here. (Ah, he. "And if I did, I probably...")

"Come on, man. I'll do some housework," she said, with steadily growing desperation. "You look like a nice man. I'll clean up around the house or something."

"You should probably go now. It's on the phone," I lied, again, feeling a strange sense of guilt.

"Isn't there some kind of arrangement that we can make for \$20?" she implored, her right eyebrow hooding upward, a fuzzy-axle smile stretching her mouth. She slumped back her upper lip.

I wasn't sure what to say. I went on the defensive.

"You've got to go. Goodbye." I shut the door on her. I saw her slap her lip and grimace in defeat as it shut and the deadbolt definitely slid home. I waited for something like 30 seconds and looked out the window into the porch. The woman was gone.

I couldn't sleep that night. Her image kept creeping back into my mind, what she looked like. She was a black woman, just barely shorter than myself, and she looked rough, hard. Her skin was speckled and looked like a worn tire, and her broken posture belied the graceful nature of her propitiation. She wore a navy sweater. She smiled like heavy smoke.

I had never been propositioned for a sexual act before, at least not like this, not in a way that would involve an exchange of funds. And especially never at my own home. I somehow felt invaded. I began replaying the events in my head, analyzing them, searching for the underlying desperation that must have led this woman to approach a stranger's house and ask for money, eventually sinking to a willingness to do anything for money.

I envisioned numerous different scenarios. Maybe she was just broke. Perhaps she needed money for drugs or alcohol. My thoughts gradually grew kinder, though not necessarily sympathetic. Was the woman a prostitute, or just a desperate mother? She might have hungry kids to feed. Or she might be facing eviction. Despite my speculation, the fact was that I just didn't know.

A myriad of possibilities whirled around in my

head. What if I had invited her in? What would that have been like? Maybe she just would have done some housework. Or maybe not.

But then I imagined the next door that she might knock on. And I imagined the myriad of possibilities that she must be imagining as she knocks on that door. Then I thought of the host of different possible emotions that might answer the knock, and my mind couldn't help but think that maybe, just maybe, someone out there might not be nearly as civil as I was in handling her.

And suddenly I didn't feel so invaded anymore. I just felt bad—for her and for the world in general.

I really don't know what all of this means. It's one of those situations that I've thought about quite a bit and still, a solution eludes me.

This is my "senior column," and I'm supposed to be philosophical or look back wistfully on my experiences at Duke. But writing really jumps out at me, at least nothing that I care to see in print. Instead, I've just told a story about something that happened to me one night. And I guess if there's one truth that can be gleaned from the whole thing, it's that most of us are pretty damn lucky just to be alive and healthy.

Sure, terms papers suck, and all-night study sessions take their toll, but again, we're pretty fortunate to have the opportunity to endure these things, to have that kind of stress, instead of having to worry about when the next meal is coming from or where you're going to sleep.

It's a hard time to be a Duke student right now, with classes ending, finals looming and graduation on the line.

But really, it's not that hard.

Kevin Pryde is a Trinity senior and editor of *Recess*.

Sports

HEALTH CARE

► Lights to be installed at baseball field

An anonymous Duke graduate donated \$250,000 to fund a project that will have lights put in at historic Jack Cozart Field. The lights will enable the Blue Devils to play night games on campus next season, making them the seventh ACC team to have such a facility.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

► Ryan stable after double bypass surgery

Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan was listed in stable condition yesterday following emergency bypass surgery in Austin, Tex. The 53-year-old Ryan did not have a heart attack, but was found to have a heart block, which is a condition that can lead to a heart attack. Ryan, who is baseball's career leader in strikeouts with 5,714, is expected to be hospitalized for one week.

► Ohio State expects to say good-bye to Rader

Ohio State junior guard Michael Rader has scheduled a press conference today at 10 a.m. to discuss his draft intentions. While Rader is not divulging his decision, Buckeye senior guard Scot Ramey said he expects Rader to declare for the NBA draft, making him the 13th undergraduate to do so.

► Jazz go up 2-0 in series with Sonics

The Utah Jazz beat the Seattle SuperSonics last night, 97-87. The Jazz were led by veteran Karl Malone and John Stockton's 23 and 21 points, respectively. During the game, Malone also became one of only four NBA players to score more than 4,000 points in the playoffs. Game 3 will be played in Seattle on Saturday. No team since the Houston Rockets in 1995 has come back to win a best-of-five playoff series after being down 2-0.

► Mets win eighth straight

Matt Franco's RBI single kept the bottom of the ninth alive for the streaking New York Mets 1-0 win over Los Angeles. It is the longest winning streak for New York since they took care of a row in May 1983. New York has won 10 of their last 11 games.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It was almost like someone brought kryptonite to Superman."

—Paul Ryan, Robert's son, on his father's reading incoming bypass surgery

Duke squares off with Dukes tonight

By BOB WELLS
The Chronicle

For the women's lacrosse team, now is the time to draw a line in the sand.

No. 3 Duke (15-4) faces No. 4 James Madison (11-4) in a game that could very well determine

who gets one of the coveted top-four seeds, and a first-round bye, in the NCAA.

Both teams enter the game with serious questions about their play down the stretch, but there is little doubt that each squad is capable of making a

deep postseason run.

However, the Blue Devils are not focusing on all of the hype surrounding the NCAA tournament and the seeding process.

"For us, that's not the smartest thing for us to focus on," coach Kerstin Kiesel said. "For our team, the most important thing is being prepared to play James Madison."

Although James Madison is ranked in the top five, the Dukes are coming off consecutive two-goal losses, 10-4 to Georgetown and 12-10 to Louisville.

In addition to their late-season slide, they haven't proven they can win close games. The Dukes have only played in three games which were decided by two goals or less, and have lost all three.

James Madison's success has come via its offense, which generally is ignited by midfielder Josh Marion. Marion, a two-time All-American, has been a nightmare for opposing teams, racking up a school-record 53 goals to go along with seven assists.

But Marion hasn't been the only spark on offense, as fellow All-American Amy Brew and Julie Martinez join her to form one of the most potent offensive trios in the nation. Brew has 28 goals and five assists, while

By LACHOSKE on page 10



MEGHAN WALTERS and the Blue Devils look to a big win against James Madison after a tough loss to archrival North Carolina.

Wrestling goes East...

Coach Clar Anderson planned a May exchange trip to Russia and Iran for Blue Devils

By KEVIN LEE
The Chronicle

Clar Anderson, Duke's wrestling coach, spent a year in Eastern Europe in the late 1980s training for the 1992 Olympics. Now, he wants to give the same opportunity to his team at Duke.

"It was just an incredible experience," he said. "I spent a year in mainly Eastern Europe training there for myself for the '92 Olympic trials. At that time, supposedly the countries were in conflict with us in the Cold War, but the people were incredibly acceptable and friendly and open to Americans, so I was welcomed into those countries."

For Anderson, the people he met and places he went culminated into memories he will never forget.

"It was an incredible experience to see communism at the brink of when it was going under," he said. "It was chaos, it was needing change. Just traveling around, some of the amenities we have here are just so foreign to those folks."

Through the friends he made then, he has organized a similar trip for his team this summer. Twelve of the members of the wrestling team leave May 12 for an overseas exchange in two decidedly exotic locations: Russia and Iran.

"It's places I think will stretch my guys, not only athletically, but impact them personally," Anderson explained. "Why not to France or New Berlin or Poland and I say, 'If you want a vacation, you can take



SEAN MEAKIN and the Blue Devils are getting their passports in order as they prepare to become the first American wrestling team to visit Iran since 1978.

one. I was going to try to take them to somewhere that's really going to challenge them."

The team's travels begin in Moscow, where it will participate in a number of matches with university students and train with national coaches.

"Moscow was for as long, the enemy," Anderson said. "And now to be able to meet with the folks, to know that there are sta-

dents just like they are, that is my main emphasis."

May 18, Duke travels to Tehran, where the Blue Devils will train with the Iranian national team, which is in preparation for the Olympics in Sydney this summer.

"It will be the national coaches of the Iranian team, we will be training at their Olympic center," Anderson said. "They

By IRAN on page 10

Former Duke star Schill retires

Press staff and wire reports

Former Duke baseball player or Vaughn Schill informed the Seattle Mariners he was retiring from baseball, according to an article in Baseball America.

The infielder, who was a fourth-round pick this summer, was hitting .250 in 101 at-bats for Class A-Lancaster. According to the article, Schill was unhappy with his role in Lancaster. A shortstop with the Blue Devils, Schill was upset he was moved to third base to make room for Adam Pott, who was part of the Stan Getzky deal with the Reds.

"He was wanting to play more," Mariners farm director Benji Leeper said. "He told me unless I could guarantee him he was going to play, he was going to retire."

Leeper made no promises, and Schill was true to his word and did not play. Schill told the Mariners he was interested in pursuing other opportunities.

Despite the early retirement, Schill will go to meet his \$165,000 signing bonus.

I spent 4 years at Duke and all I got were these t-shirts

I could almost hear the slow sad music in the background as I handed over my DukeCard and the guy asked, "Large or extra large?"

The last free t-shirt of my college career. One of the greatest perks of university life, forever gone. I'll leave Duke with a heavy suitcase stuffed with all the free shirts I've accumulated in my four years.

Many of my free t-shirts came from basketball games, though I don't remember getting any my freshman year. For the first round of the basketball game at Cameron, they decided to give students flimsy white hats from Chase, which was sponsoring the tournament.

Sometimes had forgotten to explain to my friends and me that "Duke" opens 90 minutes before game time means "Get there at least 90 minutes before game time if you want a decent seat." So we wandered in about half an hour before tip-off and ended up standing on the TV side behind the far basket. That's when I learned that most of the seats in the stadium section are obstructed view.

But when Duke went on a run in the second half, I also learned that the best part about cheering in Cameron is not the clever chants. It's the moment a Blue Devil hits a back-breaking three and 1,600 twenty students start jumping up and down and into each other, high-fiving anyone within reach and screaming as loud as their lungs will let them.

One of my earliest free t-shirts was loop-aloof, came from my freshman dorm and said in big blue letters, BACK IN BLACK! Well, back in black was the basketball team's slogan that year, because Nike had decided black was the in color even for a

team called the Blue Devils. And because a little more than three years ago, Duke let it be known to reserve the basketball world it was back.

As a freshman, though, I don't think I quite appreciated what the team had to come back from. That year's juniors had never seen Duke win more ACC games than it lost. That's the year's seniors had never seen the Blue Devils beat Carolina. So the real moment Duke came back in black (or in this case white—it was in Cameron) was around 11 p.m., Jan. 29, 1997, when Trigon Langdon hit the three to put away those Tar Heels. The cheer afterwards was easily the best of my four years, proving that a good bench-clearing requires too much spontaneity and too little restraint. If no one got hurt, it probably wasn't a very fun bench.

In October of sophomore year came the black t-shirt with the blue No. 6 on the front, handed out at Midnight Madness. In a sign of campus to come, brochures were distributed at some ungdy hour that morning, and I remember arriving quite a bit earlier. The line already snaked along most the parking lot.

I wore the black north-south t-shirt to the Carolina game that year. I remember the horror as each minute passed and the Tar Heels lead grew. We'd suffered through six weeks of camping out. Six weeks of cold and rain and wind and puddles creeping into the tent. Six weeks of disappointed tent checks and flimsy night in sleeping bags.

But we were doing it to see Carolina humiliated in a battle of tip-ranked teams. It never occurred to us we'd be trailing by 17 with under 15 minutes to go. We all know what happened. Maybe



1918

Rachel Cohen

more than any game in my four years, the Cameron Crazies charged the court that afternoon feeling like we helped determine the outcome. Maybe it was because we had to convinced ourselves we deserved to win. But maybe our screaming and jumping, the noise and the beat, made a difference.

Right around that time sophomore year the trail of t-shirts gets long. There were two Duke blue March Madness t-shirts last season, plus the "Turning the Sweet 16" one I got at the Devil's Den during the away UNC game. All year long, that team walked, talked and blocked shots like one that would win a national championship. We all believed it, and I'll never forget the silence in Cameron when Langdon lost the ball for the final time.

One t-shirt I wanted but didn't get commemorated the 1999 women's Final Four. Duke gave them out to little kids at a game this year. I'm still annoyed that a couple of my colleagues on the sports staff, who were handing out shirts, wouldn't give me one.

Without a doubt, the second best basketball game I attended in my four years was last season's regional final in Greensboro when Duke shocked Tennessee. When the Blue Devils led by 11 at halftime, I remember thinking, if they can just hold onto the lead for a while, they have a shot. Well, the first TV

timeout came and the three-time defending national champs had already erased most of the deficit. Oh well, I thought. They gave them a game for a half.

But when the next timeout came, and the next and the next, I'd look up at the scoreboard to see Duke still holding a lead. And when it was over, the Blue Devils had reminded everyone that there's nothing in sports like a good upset. Then there are my three, soon to be four, Chronicle t-shirts. I admit I've never worn one in public. Sometimes I wonder why I spend so much time here; though I've certainly covered my share of cool events, I would never have put in so many hours if the only rewards had been a few big basketball games.

In a bizarre way, that's what I like about The Chronicle, that it's rarely easy. I think back to when I received my first free staff t-shirt, and what the paper has done for two people whose names will appear tomorrow. Neal, who didn't speak for the first seven months of freshman year, then ate a full pound of beef and hasn't shut up since. And my former neighbor Kate, who used to make her roommate lie to Chronicle editors and say she wasn't here, but whose voice mail now explains she can be reached at 684-2983.

So because this is a senior column and has to end on a cheesy note, I'd like to thank all my colleagues who have made these four years bearable, from the self-proclaimed best class in Chronicle sports history to my editors (especially Joel, who I know will read this and like having his name mentioned). As we like to say, this column writes itself.

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Yes Mr. Donkey, there is a waffle

Sometimes a thought just strikes you out of nowhere. And sometimes, you think about something for the longest time without making any progress. For the last two months, I've wondered about how a donkey eats a waffle.

Admit it, you've probably thought about this also. One of the least respected species of the animal kingdom coming face to face with one of America's favorite snacks. It's a graduate topic worthy of its own shelf at the Library of Congress.

No? Are you kidding me? You mean to tell me you've never even thought about this? Honestly, I hadn't either, until I began chatting with a couple of my roommates one night. And in a blur of time not more than 10 minutes long, I had been introduced and enlightened to the donkey/waffle world.

After seeing that I had included a Wile E. Coyote reference in one of my stories, they suggested, no, demanded that I put a "donkey eating waffles" reference in a story before the end of the year. Simple enough I thought, until I actually tried to put these references in my stories and met the fate of a completely anal editor (By the way Neil, for the last time, you are not a better quarterback than Spencer Rommel).

"Hiding her shoulder injury, Schweitzer fought through her sophomore year like a donkey eating waffle," I ripped apart.

Marie Ferdinand sparred the Tigers on their gamebreaking run, and the game was over quicker than a donkey could eat a waffle." Cracked and burned.

Infrustrated and disembodied, I came to the conclusion that Neil the Editor simply didn't appreciate how a



Can of Smack

Victor Zhao

donkey eats a waffle.

Granted, he's probably never seen a donkey eat a waffle. So I'll take it upon myself in this "senior column" to explain to Neil and my readers, both of them, the beauty and pagentry of an ordinary donkey enjoying the delightful hum-fact smack, and the mind-bending analogies that can drawn from it.

Initially, the donkey takes a glance at the waffle. Intrigued by the texture, the donkey takes a bite of the waffle. He's not sure what he just ate.

Little more than five years ago, I first started writing sports for my high school paper. I did it because I liked sports, and because I had memorized most of the alphabet by then. I figured I could write about it too. Heck, I can train a orangutan to be a competent sports writer—teach him a few dishes, feed him a couple of bananas and before you know it, he's writing better columns than Frank Darcenza.

Jump ahead a few years to my sophomore year, and I'm beginning to think I actually liked doing this. But one ill-fated and ill-fated story I wrote drew some critical response and made me rethink this whole sports journalism thing.

Obviously, the donkey's never had anything like a waffle before, so he's not really used to the taste. But something about the waffle convinces him to keep

taking more bites, and pretty soon, the donkey is hooked.

I realized a long time ago that I wasn't any good at sports writing, partly because I can only read English at a second-grade level. But I also realized pretty early that The Chronicle isn't about writing or editing, it's always been about the people you interact with and enjoying your time with the paper.

That's why I wanted to take the opportunity to thank Ted Israel, Neil Morgan, Nick Tybalks, Kelly Miller and mostly everyone else I've worked with at the paper for letting me enjoy last years welcome in the dingy offices.

From that frustrating night starting at ridiculous headlines and wondering if it's too yellow on the printed, to that time two years ago when Michael VanGorp actually came up to the office looking to kick my ass, it's the people up here who have really made a difference and kept me coming back.

After taking his last hit, the donkey still isn't sure what to make of the waffle. But he knows one thing for sure, he doesn't regret eating that waffle.

In the end, my experience at The Chronicle allowed me to ride along with The Journey for four years, and sit courtside for the most memorable athletic event I've ever witnessed in person last year in Greensboro. And for that, I can only feel fortunate.

Fortunate because I didn't end up like the mindless zombies at this school who become rabid followers of that other basketball team. Instead, Nick and the paper helped me discover a team that was truly worth rooting for and a joy to watch.

These last four years sure have flown

fast. After two months of thought, I wouldn't think of a better description for these four years than that one phrase that sums up of genius.

Like a donkey eating a waffle. Victor Zhao is a Pratt senior. He'd like to remind Nick Tybalks that they never got to finish the NHL99 series from that day in San Jose, and apologies to sports promotions genius Mark TK Levin for not including his picture in this column.

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WINSTON-SALEM—Cruelty to the women's basketball team's match-up against Wake Forest, three minutes in full after back in two Wake Forest cheerleaders in a five-minute game.

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Wilkins' retirement brings end to record-setting coaching career

By PAUL NEWBERRY
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Lenny Wilkins resigned today from the Atlanta Hawks after the worst season of a 27-year career in which he won more games than any coach in NBA history.

Wilkins' resignation was announced at Philips Arena by team president Stan Kasten and general manager Pete Babcock. The coach did not attend the news conference.

"Atlanta will always hold a special place in my heart," Wilkins said in a statement. "I have so many wonderful memories, both personally and professionally, but it is time to explore new challenges and new opportunities."

The 62-year-old Wilkins, who coached the Hawks for seven years, had two years left on his contract, paying \$30.4 million. The team said it would honor it until he finds a new job.

The decision was not unexpected after the Hawks struggled to a 28-54 record, their worst mark since moving to Atlanta in 1966. The team missed the playoffs for the first time since 1992, losing 20 of its final 31 games.

"We all concluded mutually that this was a good time to give everybody a chance to start from scratch, start a new chapter in their lives," Kasten said.

Before coming to Atlanta, Wilkins had stints in Cleveland, Seattle and Portland. His career record is 1,179-983 and his lone NBA championship came with the Boston in 1979.

Wilkins, an All-American guard at Providence and a nine-time NBA All Star, was the second person elected to the Hall of Fame as a player and coach.

In 1997, Wilkins was honored as one of the 50 greatest players in NBA history and one of the 10 greatest coaches, the only person in both lists.

He got his 838th victory in early 1990, passing former Boston Celtics coach Red Auerbach. In 1996, Wilkins coached the U.S. Olympic team to a gold medal in Atlanta after serving as an assistant in the 1992 Games.

The Hawks had at least 50 victories in three of Wilkins' first five years, then finished second in the Central after losing with Indiana until the final week of the strike-shortened 1992 season.

Wilkins signed a four-year, \$20 million contract extension in 1997. But in a bid to shake up a stale franchise and get past the second round of the playoffs for the first time since moving from St. Louis, Kasten engineered a deal that sent leading scorer Steve Smith to the Portland Trail Blazers for Isaiah Rider and Jim Jackson.

Rider's discipline problems were well documented, but the Hawks were in need of a makeover as they moved into the new 19,445-seat Philips Arena.

They wanted to dump Smith's long-term contract and switch to an up-tempo offense with younger, faster players. Rider didn't show for the first day of training camp, missed a practice and skipped a team flight.

Coleman, Hornets tie playoff series, beat Sixers in overtime, 108-98

By JENNA FRYER
Associated Press

Hornets 108 **CHARLOTTE** — Back in the playoffs after a five-year absence, Derrick Coleman scored eight of his 20 points in overtime, leading the Charlotte Hornets to a 108-98 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers in the first playoff series last night.

Coleman and the Hornets now go to Philadelphia—where Coleman spent almost three years before signing with Charlotte—for Game 3 on Friday night.

Allan Iverson, who scored a career playoff-high 40 points in Game 1, tied his career playoff low with 14 points. It was the first time in Iverson's 10 playoff games he failed to beat the 76ers in scoring.

Charlotte went back to the basket in overtime, using its huge front line of Coleman, Anthony Mason and Elden Campbell to dominate the 76ers. The Hornets hit their first six shots and 9-of-9 in the extra period.

Mason opened the OT with a bruising layup that gave the Hornets a 98-91 lead.

Coleman then took over, scoring six straight points on a layup and two 15-foot jumpers for a 99-95 lead with 2:47 to play.

Coleman then took away a rebound at the other end from Tyrone Hill and Charlotte capitalized when Eddie Jones hit a three. Coleman added a turn-around jumper and Mason and Campbell dunked in even the series 1-1.

Campbell finished with 20 points, while Jones had 19 and Mason scored 14.

Iverson was held in check the entire night by Jones, who unlike in Game 1 stayed out of foul trouble and in Iverson's face.

Iverson was horribly off early, missing badly on a three-point attempt and bricking a layup in the first half. He had just seven points at the break on 2-for-8 shooting. He wasn't any better in the second half, either.

His first shot of the third quarter didn't even hit the rim, and as he struggled to get anything off on Jones—who has a size-much height advantage on Iverson—he ended up passing the ball away from shooting it.

What shuts Iverson off take either rattled off the rim or graced the glass and bounced into Charlotte's hands.

He missed a three-point attempt with under a minute to play in overtime and shot just 5-for-21 for the game.

But the rest of the Sixers picked up the slack for him, allowing Philadelphia to maintain an 88-84 lead with four minutes to play.

But Charlotte's David Wesley hit a three-pointer and the Hornets led it at 98 when Mason dunked with one second left on the shot clock and 1:01 to play in regulation.

The Hornets then took a 91-88 lead, their first since early in the fourth quarter, on Campbell's tip-in with 28 seconds to play. The 76ers tied it on Eric Snow's jumper with 12 seconds to go.

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Maple Leafs overcome 2-goal deficit to win series on road

From wire reports

Toronto — Steve Thomas started a four-goal spurt in the second period, lifting the Toronto Maple Leafs into the second round of the NHL playoffs last night with a 4-2 victory over the Ottawa Senators.

Toronto won the best-of-seven series 4-2 and will open the Eastern Conference semifinals Thursday night at home against the New Jersey Devils.

Thomas, Mats Sundin, Sergei Berezin and Wendel Clark scored on the Maple Leafs erased a 2-0 Senators lead built on goals by Joe Juneau and Igor Kravchuk.

The Senators outshot the Maple Leafs 36-24, but their failure to hold the lead resulted in an opening-round elimination for the second straight year and third time in four seasons.

The team that held the shoot advantage lost all six games of the series.

"We played real gritty," Toronto goaltender Curtis Joseph said. "We played tough along the boards."

A capacity crowd of 18,500 watched in clamor as the Senators became the first team to lose at home in the series.

"I think the last game was key for us," Joseph said. "Getting up 3-2 in dramatic fashion (with a come-from-behind, overtime victory), I think that spilled over into tonight's game."

Ottawa got the early lead on a rush when Shawn McBain's shot was

kicked out to the high slot, where Juneau swept the puck inside the net post 3:45 into the game.

After failing to score during an abbreviated two-man advantage, Ottawa went ahead 2-0 when Kravchuk's point shot through traffic beat Joseph 3:29 into the second period.

But just 12 seconds later, Ottawa's defenseman Sami Salo passed the puck right onto Thomas' stick in the slot, and he unleashed a quick shot for his sixth goal of the series.

"We never quit in here," Joseph said. "We played hard and we knew we could come back."

A Thomas pass then went off Kravchuk's skate onto the stick of Sundin, breaking in on the left side. Sundin scored into an open side of the net to tie it at 2:18.

Berezin was allowed to sneak in, front of goalkeeper Tim Barraso and whack a shot in to put the Maple Leafs ahead 3-2 at 10:40.

A Cory Cross pass went off a series of sticks and skates to Clark, who was parked alone at the side of the Ottawa net. He calmly swept the puck in with 1:13 left in the period.

The Senators' top line of Bodek, Mark Morrison Hossa and Magnus Arvedson did not score in the series, the first between Canadian teams since the Vancouver Canucks beat the Calgary Flames and the Maple Leafs in the 1994 Stanley Cup final.

Wrestlers' families and friends contributed money for trip abroad

By IRAN from page 17

will be organizing, training, and assisting as while we compete at, hopefully, age-appropriate, skill-appropriate levels."

There will be time for sightseeing and experiencing travel in the two countries, but the Blue Devils' main task will include competing in a variety of exchange matches.

They will learn different styles, including more freestyle wrestling, and different approaches to the sport. The team expects both Russian and Iranian competition to be tough. Anderson hopes that after the matches, there will be time to practice with their opponents and to build confidence.

While the wrestlers are excited to be preparing for the trip, they haven't had a large organization sponsor them and have had to raise the money the old-fashioned way: from family, friends, and those in the community.

"Usually, the trips that are sponsored by a national organization or the USA Olympic committee are the top dogs who go there," Anderson said. "The programs, who are usually on full scholarship."

Securing passports and visas has also been difficult, considering the severe travel restrictions Americans face in going to Iran. Regardless, Anderson expects everything to work out.

"The whole process is pretty difficult," he said. "The Iranian thing is being handled by a friend of mine who lives overseas. Since we don't have a consul in the U.S., we don't pick up our visas until we get into Moscow. We expect everything to go through smoothly."

The Blue Devils will be the first college team to visit Iran since the 1978 upheavals that left the nation's relations with the United States frozen.

Recently, however, a more moderate Iranian government has pushed for gradually normalizing ties with the U.S.

"Iran wants folks to come over, they're trying to open doors to the West," Anderson said.

"The Iranian National Team Olympic Committee has made a personal invite, so they're pushing it through. Anything like this is a step in the right direction in improving relations."



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JMU will have to solve Duke's defense and goalie Chaney

► LACROSSE (over page 12)

Martinez has 40 goals and 10 assists. Despite the seemingly daunting task of trying to stop the trio, the Blue Devils don't plan on introducing any new wrinkles on the defensive end.

"We're not going to do anything special to defend (Marion, Martinez and Brawl)," Kime said. "Our defense has been playing well as unit and we just plan to continue that."

In Duke, the Duke has a physical, punishing defense that most teams have been ill-prepared for. Duke has allowed just one of its last eight opponents to reach the double-digit mark in goals.

Any Noble and Meghan Waters have proved that they can shut down their opponents' top attackers, and have stepped up their level of play in big games.

Even if James Madison manages to break through Duke's front line, it will still have to contend with goal-

keeper Shannon Chaney, who has been solid between the pipes all season.

The Blue Devils find themselves in a similar position as James Madison. The Blue Devils are coming off a heartbreaking 1-6 loss to North Carolina in the ACC semifinals.

In the North Carolina loss the team failed to score in the last 25:34 of the game. The team's tendency to endure late-game scoring droughts (i.e., Virginia, Maryland) is something that the coaching staff has addressed this week and feels more confident about going into the matchup vs. James Madison.

"We sometimes have a tendency to get scared and try to keep the ball," Kime said. "Offensively, we need to be creative and do a better job of reading the defense. The last two days of practice have been great and we have positive momentum going into



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COACH KERETA KIME

(James Madison.)

Still, for Duke to be successful, the Blue Devils will have to get some star opportunities against James Madison's Junior Corcoran. The goalkeeper was named to last year's U.S. Lacrosse Squad Trials and is considered to be one of the game's best.

The only question left now is whether the Blue Devils will stand their ground.

Four ballplayers will sit out game for Elian

From wire reports

MIAMI — Four Florida Marlins players, including starting third baseman Mike Lowell, plan to miss Tuesday night's game against San Francisco to honor a call by Cuban Americans for a work stoppage over the Elian Gonzalez case.

Marlins general manager Dave Dembrowski said the team will respect the decision of any of its employees to support the protest. He said the club's front-office workers, players and coaches would be contacted with pay for the day.

"I agree with it 100 percent," Marlins manager John Dele said. "The skills were ground when I recommended them to do it. There are more important things in the world than our game with the San Francisco Giants. Not a lot, but this is one of them."

Lowell, whose parents are Cuban exiles, will miss the home game along with pitcher Alex Fernandez, Vladimir Nunez and Michael Tjersa, who's on the disabled list.

Third base coach Fredi Gonzalez, infield coach Tony Taylor and bullpen Luis Perez also plan to be absent, as does Cuban-American Hall of Famer Tony Pérez, an assistant in Dembrowski.

Cuban Americans in the Miami area are protesting how the six-year-old Gonzalez was taken from his great-uncle's home during the weekend. The Marlins will close their downtown Marlins in Miami Store for the day.

Lowell, born in Puerto Rico, is married to a Cuban woman.

"It really hits home," Lowell said. "It's a sensitive issue and I have to be responsible. It's a little more important than one baseball game. Thank god, it's not the seventh game of the World Series."

Fernandez started Monday night against Philadelphia and was the winning pitcher.

"I wouldn't have pitched (Tuesday)," he said. "I'm making it a point as a Cuban American, and I'm proud to say that. You won't be seeing me here anymore."

Said Dembrowski: "Anyone who's passionate about the situation, we will respect their wishes."

"We have also alerted the Giants of the situation because they'll be flying into this. They also have Livan Hernandez and we wanted to make them aware."

Nunez will start Wednesday night against former Marlins hero Hernandez. Both pitchers were born in Cuba.

In March 1999, Marlins owner John Henry joined a protest outside Baltimore's spring training camp in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after the Orioles announced their intention to play an exhibition game against a Cuban team in Havana.

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