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(left to right) With an interest in the impending war, Jen Wilhite, freshman, and Tiffany Tompkins, freshman, watch NBC News Wednesday night in Suttle Lounge.

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## Students react to attacks

**Jennifer Menster**  
*Pilot design editor*

Senior Caleb Smith sat in the bottom of the DCC listening with intent as President George Bush announced to the nation that the American military is in the early stages of disarming Iraq.

The news did not come as a surprise to Smith, who said he has faith in the president's decision.

"Saddam Hussein is a potential threat to America," Smith said. "We can't just sit here and let Saddam continue to rule."

Other students also tuned into Bush's speech. Sophomores Kellie Robinson, Matt Verlander and Beth Hester were working in the Suttle Wellness Center when Bush's four-minute speech came on.

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## War is serious business for student

**Emily Killian**  
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As the U.S. is moving closer to war with Iraq, students are hearing about more and more people being called up from the reserves. Most of them are brothers, cousins or boyfriends of people we know. Most students, however, haven't known

anyone directly affected by the upcoming war.

But Dave Parker is affected.

For Parker, a student at Gardner-Webb, the war is serious business. He has trained for war and prepared for war for years as an airborne infantryman in the U.S. Army.

Stationed mainly in Alaska, Parker's highest rank was of a corpo-

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