

A crowd of about **3,000 STUDENTS** overrun **HILLSBOROUGH STREET** for an exam kickoff rave party May 3, 2010. The event was organized and publicized via **FACEBOOK,** but not approved or permitted by the University or the city. Police officers flanked the crowd as students made their way from outside D.H. Hill Library to the Memorial Bell Tower and then to the North Carolina Capitol building. *Photo by Tim O'Brien.*

road to campus

MAJOR THOROUGHFARE LINKS CAMPUS TO COMMUNITY; PRIME SPOT FOR WOLFPACK FESTIVITIES

Established in 1792, Hillsborough Street has been used by North Carolinians for more than 200 years. The street was part of Sen. William Christmas' original design for the state capitol's system of four roads — Hillsborough, Fayetteville, New Bern and Halifax—that would radiate outward from the Capitol building north, south, east and west toward the cities for which they were named.

Today, Hillsborough is the only street still functioning in its original design, but for NC

State it's much more than a thoroughfare.

Hillsborough Street is home to restaurants, bars and even a bowling alley. Some of the more popular restaurants and bars include East Village Grill, Mitch's Tavern, Sadlacks and Players' Retreat, where students celebrate after big wins (like the 1983 national championship).

Hillsborough Hikes are also a part of the college experience for those of legal drinking age. Hikes include the Haunted Hillsborough Hike on Halloween and others on the Friday of Dead

Week to celebrate graduation. In addition, Hillsborough Street becomes the site of NC State's biggest block party for Packapalooza, the campus-wide street fare that takes place during Welcome Week.

Construction to make the road more pedestrian friendly was completed in 2010 through campus. The street now features slower traffic, smarter crosswalks and on-street parking.