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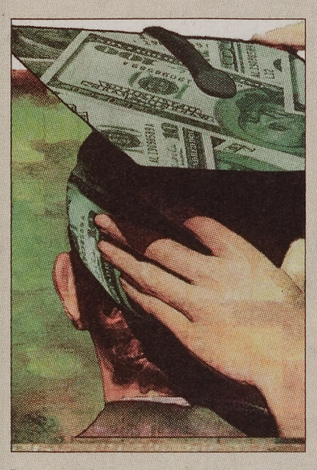
ECU once again came out of the gate slowly, and this weekend against N.C. State the slow start finally got the best of the Pirates. Check out the sports section for a full-recap of the hard-fought rivalry game and coach Holtz' take on the Wolfpack.....**Page A6**

The ECU club ice hockey team faced-off against N.C. State in the latest match-up of a budding rivalry. Turn to the sports section to find out if the Pirates could accomplish a feat they have never before in beating the 'Pack.....**Page A6**



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Administration addresses student safety concerns

Photo by Robyn McLawhorn

James Wagner of SGA discusses the problems discovered with safety on campus with attendees of the forum.

SGA host safety forum

NIA RICHARDSON
STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association (SGA) held the first of two ECUnity Safety Forums last night in Mendenhall Student Center.

The forum, which was open to students, faculty and staff, presented the results of the SGA Safety Walk held on Oct. 1 and the Campus Safety Survey given last school year.

The forum was a collaborative effort amongst SGA, the Student Safety Committee and the Center for Off-Campus and Community Living to address the concerns of safety and to educate students on what measures are being taken for improvement.

"Safety has always been an issue at universities and high schools but has really hit home with all that has been happening on campuses around the country," said Keri Brockett, SGA president.

The first issues presented were the results of the Campus Safety Walk. The primary concern presented was the need for the improvement of lighting around campus.

Participants in the walk noted poorly lit areas mainly around the entrances of buildings and dorms. Also areas of accessibility for the disabled were shown to need more lighting.

Another lighting issue were dimly lit and blown bulbs at various locations around campus. Possible solutions discussed for this were installing solar lighting and receiving federal grants to place more light systems on campus.

The Safety Walk participants addressed the concerns for general safety practices among the student body.

Habits such as propping open doors and windows and opening residence hall doors for strangers were noted as being major problems in the dorms.

A possible solution discussed was the implementation of a key card access system as opposed to the current two-key system. The system will allow Campus Living to know who has access to the dorm but will require effort from students to discontinue allowing other students access to the dorm. Such an incident occurred when Seung-Hui Cho killed his first victims inside a dorm at Virginia Tech in April.

"Any system is only as good as the users. If students continue to surf [allow strangers access] you will still have issues," Michelle Lieberman, director of the Center of Off-Campus Housing.

Other issues from the Safety Walk included the trimming back of overgrown shrubbery and providing safe pedestrian passages around construction areas.

The proposal for an involuntary withdrawal policy, which would allow administration to withdraw a student who may pose a threat to himself or the campus community, was also discussed.

The policy will consist of a process that includes offering the student professional counseling and a series of steps to allow them the opportunity to improve their mental state before returning to the university.

"We will support them in all the way we could," said Dr. Lynn Roeder, dean of students.

"It is not meant to be a punitive policy but, a therapeutic last resort."

Students, mental health, judicial professionals, and administration

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Representatives available to speak with students about higher education

Answers for students intersted in attending graduate school

DAVID WILDER
STAFF WRITER

The graduate school of ECU will hold its 10th annual Graduate and Professional School fair this Thursday from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is free of charge for ECU students, faculty, staff and alumni. It will be held in the Mendenhall Student Center great rooms.

Faculty members feel this is an event that will help students continue their education.

"Graduate level education is very important," said Patrick Pellicane, dean of graduate studies.

"It's clear the market is screaming, 'Stay in school!'"

More than 20 universities will be represented at the event, offering information about their programs and encouraging students to earn a graduate degree.

"This will provide the opportunity to talk to representatives from these institutions," said Belinda Patterson, interim assistant dean of graduate studies.

Attendees at the fair can expect to learn about requirements for graduate schools and financial aid opportunities, according to Patterson.

The fair is co-sponsored by ECU's graduate school and the graduate student council.

"I think it's a great opportunity for students to learn about graduate schools who normally would not have the chance to learn about graduate programs," said Bill Maton, graduate assistant for graduate studies.

To find out more infor-

see **FAIR** page A3

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Banners have been hung in various locations on campus to publicize the fair being held on Thursday.

ECU invites Muslim Fulbright Scholar

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Dr. Aslam Khaki

Lectures held on an array of issues

YAZID FINN
STAFF WRITER

Due to a grant by the Fulbright program and several invitations from hosts, Dr. Aslam Khaki, a scholar and lawyer from Pakistan, will be speaking throughout Greenville in the coming weeks.

Fulbright is a global teaching and educational exchange program funded through the United States Department of State.

The program emphasizes lectures, as well as other learning programs such as research and teaching, as a means of spreading awareness of "people of other countries of the world."

Khaki began his series of lectures on Oct. 16 as the 2007 annual meeting's keynote speaker for the World Affairs Council of Eastern North Carolina.

He spoke briefly on the various aspects of Islam and continued the evening by sharing his views of political extremism as well as the current state of Pakistan and neighboring Middle Eastern countries.

The evening concluded with a question-and-answer session that was utilized by many in attendance.

"I encourage all students to attend one of these programs. Dr. Khaki will be speaking in classes, as well as all over the ECU campus throughout his time here," said Brandi Dudley, interim president of the World Affairs Council of Eastern North Carolina.

"With everything going on in the world today, I believe it is an absolute necessity for all universities to host guest speakers like Dr. Khaki, as it is important to listen to all perspectives," said Faten Odeh, president of the Arab Student Union.

"I am very impressed with the things the university is doing in an effort to create cultural awareness among the students on campus," Odeh said.

In addition to Khaki's lectures on politics and extremism, Ms. Yasmin Haider will be speaking on women's rights in Islam in early November.

"As a Pakistani-American, I find it quite exciting that a scholar from Pakistan is here to discuss pertinent issues and current events regarding politics and religion," said Anem Waheed, president of the Muslim Student Association.

"It's much better to learn about these topics from each other in person because we can ask questions and develop relationships with one another."

Dr. Khaki will be speaking again on Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Willis Building on 1st Street and once more on Oct. 29 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on 4th Street.

The topics will be "The U.S. War on Terrorism: Perspectives from Pakistan," and ""Interfaith Alliance – Muslim-Christian-Jewish Relations."

Both are free of charge and open to the public.

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Biologist's findings gain recognition

Divergences found shared in alga and animals

YAZID FINN
STAFF WRITER

It might surprise you, but the red algae used in your favorite sushi snacks might have more in common with ordinary green plants than once believed.

John Stiller, a biologist and professor here at ECU who specializes in the study of algae, is hopeful that in the coming months more information will become available for analysis and give way to further discoveries.

"We've submitted our findings to the Joint Genomic Institute and Wrap-around sushi's' genomic mapping is going to be concluded within the year," Stiller said.

When the mapping is finished, it will allow biologists anywhere to pick up and compare the data available against other genomic maps that have already been completed.

Stiller stresses that these maps are important in many aspects, and as scientists branch out from models commonly used, such as chimpanzees and mice, more data will be available to make comparisons.

In addition, Stiller mentioned the significance of the work done through undergraduate and graduate students.

"All of our background work is done by students. Opportunities like these allow students to become part of the process in developing knowledge," Stiller said.

Lee Sutton, biology advisor, shares these sentiments.

"Chances like these put into practice the scientific method [students] learned about for the past three years," Sutton said.

The information found in this research may seem complex but it can be applied to everyday life.

"Everything in our biology courses is relevant to the way we live our lives. Being exposed to this research exposes students to life."

Stiller's most recent publication in regards to the findings was listed in the August 2007 issue of the journal "Trends in Plant Science."

"I think that without plants, there would be no life," said Mark Dunn, senior communication major in regards to photosynthesis.

"There have to be elements in plants that contribute to our DNA or any form of life, because without photosynthesis there is no way for us to exist on Earth," Dunn said.

The idea of life and existence pertaining to humans is significant in regards to human life and their well-being.

"Since animals depend on plants for oxygen and plants depend on humans for carbon dioxide and both use cellular respiration, it would make perfect sense that there is some connection," said Nusaybah Ismail, sophomore exercise physiology major.

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News

{ Campus & Community }

PIRATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACHIEVE: How to Take Notes and Study Notes Effectively
Tuesday, Oct. 23
7-8 p.m.
Garrett Hall Lobby
Each class you take probably has multiple books, as well as the material covered in lectures that you will have to takes notes on. Come find out from a professor how to take notes effectively to make studying less stressful.

Women's Studies Wednesday
Wednesday, Oct. 24
1 p.m.
Bate 1006
A new series--Women's Studies Wednesdays--is making its debut this semester. Bring your lunch and come listen to research being conducted by Women's Studies faculty members. Timm Hackett: A Thousand Other Simple Things—The Importance of Fairy Tales.

ACHIEVE: How to Do Research in Your Room
Thursday, Oct. 24
7-8 p.m.
Jones Hall Lobby
Researching your papers does not have to be a scary process. There are many resources available on campus that will even allow you to do a majority of your research in the comfort of your own room. Come find out about all the tools available through the Joyner Library and how to correctly cite your research to avoid academic integrity violations.

Muslim Fulbright scholar visits ECU
Thursday, Oct. 25
7 p.m.
Willis Building
ECU will host Dr. Aslam Khaki, of Pakistan, for four weeks in October and early November through the Fulbright Visiting Specialist Program: Direct Access to the Muslim World. Contact Holly Hapke, Department of Geography at 328-1041 or hapkeh@ecu.edu for more information.

23 Tues

ACHIEVE: How to Take Notes and Study Notes Effectively
Garrett Hall Lobby
7-9 p.m.

24 Wed

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ACHIEVE: How to Do Research in Your Room
Jones Hall Lobby
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25 Thurs

Muslim Fulbright scholar
Willis Building
7 p.m.

26 Fri

Freeboot Friday
Spare Change
Mac & Juice
Uptown Greenville
5-8 p.m.

National Pan-Hellenic Council Step Show!
Wright Auditorium
8 p.m.

27 Sat

Homecoming Parade
Begins on Fifth Street
10 a.m.

Football
UAB Homecoming
Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium
3:00 p.m.

Swimming
Towson
Minges Aquatic Center
11:00 a.m.

*** Featured Event**
Football UAB Homecoming
Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium
3:00 p.m.

Pirate Nation Weather Report

Tuesday:
Low: 63F
Hi: 83F
Wind: southerly 5-10 mph
% Precipitation Probability: 20
General Weather: partly cloudy

Wednesday:
Low: 70
Hi: 83
Wind: westerly 5-10mph
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Forecast presented by ECU GeoClub and Geography's Atmospheric Science Program.

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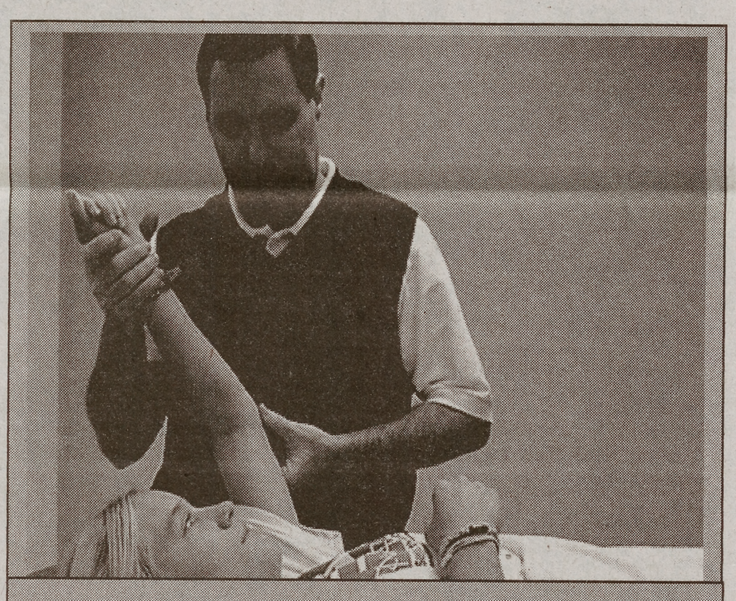

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BREAKDOWNS & breakthroughs
Confronting Mental Health States, Stereotypes, and Stigmas in Film
10/23

A film-discussion series that addresses the stigmas and disabilities that can arise from mental illness, social conflict, and forms of entrenched racism that lead to violence. Psychological topics range from depression, social anxiety, agoraphobia, and obsessive-compulsive disorders to a wide range of personality disorders. The emphasis of the series is on the pathways to recovery.

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., Hendrix Theatre in Mendenhall Student Center
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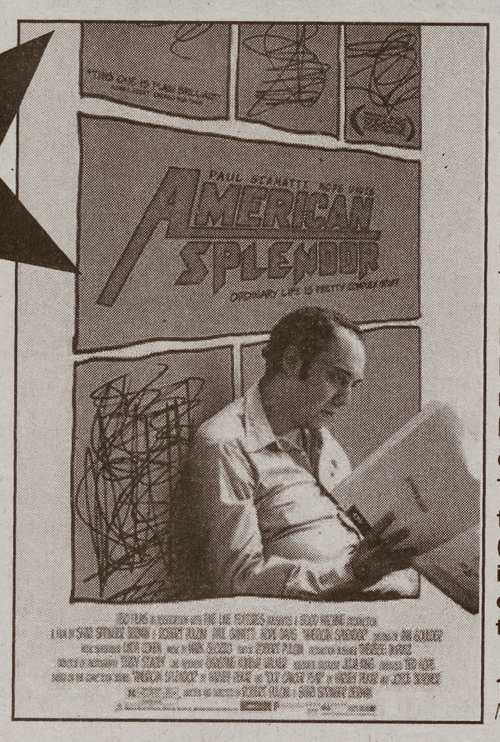

American Splendor (2001)
A brilliant but quite accessible film that centers on Cleveland underground comic book artist Harvey Pekar and his wife Joyce Brabner. The lead male character (Paul Giamatti) and the lead female character (Hope Davis) suffer from depression. The Pekar/Giamatti and Brabner/Davis use Pekar's comic book art to survive the mental and physical challenges of a life-threatening illness (he does with a comic book called "Our Cancer Year"). This is a very funny, imaginative film that deals with depression head-on. **(Depression, midlife crises, surrogate incest relationship issues, relationship entrapment issues especially in relation to marriage and infidelity, homophobia)**

101 minutes
MPAA Rating: R for language

Admission is free. ECU, staff, and faculty must present their ECU One Card for admission. All others must present photo I.D. Co-sponsored by the Office of Co-Curricular Programs and Cultural Outreach, the School of Communication, and the ECU National Broadcasting Society.

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mation about graduate school, contact the Graduate School at 328-6012 or stop by the office which is located at 131 Ragsdale.

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Campbell University School of Pharmacy
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East Carolina University
Elon University School of Law
Meredith College Business School
Meredith College Department of Education
Meredith College Department of Nutrition
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina Central University School of Law
North Carolina State University
Old Dominion University
Radford University
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
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are currently reviewing the policy before it can be implemented.

Lieberman presented the results of the Campus Safety Survey that was online from April 18, 2007 to Mar. 2, 2007.

Over three thousand students responded to the survey giving a diverse insight on students' concern for safety at ECU.

The survey showed that 83 percent of students felt concerned for their safety on campus.

Five percent of students have been a victim of a crime at ECU, yet only half of the victims reported the incident.

The survey also showed that over half of the student body did not utilize such safety provisions as Safe Ride or Safety Patrol Officers.

Students were given the opportunity to have their safety concerns addressed by a panel of administrators.

Questions ranged in topic from parking during night classes to the number of police patrolling the campus at night. Most of the A-1 lots have been open for anyone with a parking sticker to park their car after 3:00 p.m. but there is a conflict between students who park their for night activities and faculty who have stickers for those lots.

"The bottom line is we have ten times as many people as we have spaces and everyone wants one," said Wood Davidson, interim director for transit.

The ECU Police Department has increased the number of officers that patrol campus, thus effectively reducing the crime that occurs in parking lots and popular walkways leading to downtown.

"There is a perception that students don't see us out on campus but, our statistics are good," said Major Frank Knight of the ECU Police Department.

"We will go back and review them and try to change that."

According to students attending the forum, it was a welcome opportunity to have an engagement with administration on safety.

"It was neat that they allowed an adequate amount of time for everyone's needs to be addressed' said Suzanne McArdle, geography graduate student.

The next ECUnity Safety Forum will be held on Nov. 12.

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Features

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Horoscopes

Aries
Communication is not just an art, or even a skill you develop. Communication is a miracle, and no words are required.

Taurus
Gather as much information as you can, behind the scenes. Consider each source, and the ax each has to grind. Get all points of view.

Gemini
Make sure you know what you want. That's always important. Otherwise, you won't even know that you've won when you get it. That would be a pity.

Cancer
Finish an exceptionally persistent chore, you can do it now. The good news is that you'll rest much easier once this last wrinkle is ironed out.

Leo
You've been in a very active phase. For the next few weeks, you'll be more of a homebody. Try it out tonight.

Virgo
Conditions are changing and getting smarter. Stay cautious, however. Don't disrupt your whole household. That's not a viable option.

Libra
You're entering into a very lucrative phase. Have your routine worked out, so you can take on another challenge.

Scorpio
You're entering a phase of great wisdom, strength and satisfaction. You won't get there all at once, but you'll make great progress in those directions.

Sagittarius
The Sun is going into Scorpio, launching your "clean-up" phase. Everything that needs a decision will pop up in your way. Throw things out, recycle, whatever. Don't let it all bog you down.

Capricorn
Promises are almost as good as cash in the pocket now. Get involved and figure out how to make the check-writer's dreams happen.

Aquarius
New career opportunities are coming your way. Some you already know about and some will be complete surprises. Are you prepared? Well, sort of. Better do more research.

Pisces
It's still hard to get an older person to understand your point of view. It doesn't really matter. This person can't prevent your success. Don't worry about it.

Mendenhall Movies

Thursday 10/25 @ 7:00 p.m.: Advanced Screening: Dan in Real Life

Friday 10/26 @ 7:00 p.m.: Transformers

Friday 10/26 @ Midnight: The Rocky Horror Picture Show Costume Contest Winners receive

Saturday 10/27 @ 7:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m., and midnight: Transformers

Sunday 10/28 @ 4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 10:00 p.m.: Transformers

Did you know?

To make Pop Rocks, the hot sugar mixture is allowed to mix with carbon dioxide gas at about 600psi. The carbon dioxide gas forms tiny, 600psi bubbles in the candy. When you put the candy in your mouth, it melts and releases the bubbles. What you are hearing and feeling is the 600psi carbon dioxide gas being released from each bubble.

Ketchup has not always been made out of tomatoes. It started out as a general term for sauce, typically made of mushrooms or fish brine with herbs and spices. Mushroom ketchup is still available in some countries, such as the UK. Some popular early main ingredients include anchovy, oyster, lobster, walnut, kidney bean, cucumber, cranberry, lemon, and grape.

In the movie "Scarface" the F-word is said 207 times, which works out to an average of 1.22 per minute.

Nepal is the only country whose flag is not square or rectangular shaped.

Art professor brings experiences to class

Shreve offers a glimpse into his artwork

DAVID PUCKETT
STAFF WRITER

Art has always played a leading role in the life of ECU professor Larry Shreve.

"It is what makes me feel whole or complete: either teaching art or doing art, being around artists or just around the art community," said Shreve. "This is a great community for art because the art school is one of the greatest art schools in the country, and it attracts artists all over the country and all over the world."

Shreve described himself as "more of an avant-garde progressive experimental artist," as opposed to a "landscape artist or portrait painter."

Paul Hartley, ECU art professor and Shreve's former teacher, said that Shreve's artwork has evolved over the years and is "always interesting because there is so much to see."

Whether it is one of his reoccurring farmhouse-themed collages or a portrait of a family member, it is obvious that Shreve's artwork is heavily influenced by the people, places and experiences in his life.

Born on Aug. 1, 1948, Shreve grew up in the rural farming community of Reidsville, N.C.

In grade school, he noticed that he was artistically gifted after receiving compliments on his drawings. He continued to create and study art in his youth, and when he was a teenager, he and his family moved to Farmville, N.C.

While attending Farmville High School, Shreve played football, ran track and was president of the art club.

"I was lucky enough to go to Farmville High School, so I was right here when the [ECU] art school was being expanded and it was convenient for me to fall right into the ECU art school," Shreve said.

But his plans to attend ECU were delayed due to the Vietnam War.

The draft forced Shreve to serve a four-year term with the Air Force; he was never deployed to Vietnam.

After completing his military service, Shreve enrolled into ECU's School of Art and Design.

In 1980, he completed his undergraduate studies at ECU and then moved to New York City for an independent study program at Empire State College.

New York City offered Shreve many opportunities as an aspiring artist; he worked under abstract expressionist painter Michael Goldberg, shipped Picasso paintings for the Guggenheim Museum, attended lavish art exhibits and met iconic artists, like Andy Warhol.

According to Shreve, he and some friends were attending one of Warhol's art shows one evening, and upon their arrival, Warhol became furious with them.

"When we went into the gallery, a dog ran in and he [Warhol] thought we brought the dog to the gallery with us. He started screaming at us, but as soon as he realized the dog wasn't ours, he apologized, brought us wine and champagne, and actually ended up being buddy-buddy with us," Shreve said.

After studying a year in New York, Shreve returned to Eastern N.C. He took a brief break from school but eventually completed graduate school and started teaching at ECU in 1985.

He currently teaches Color and Design and Art Appreciation but has taught painting and drawing classes in the past.

Years from now, Shreve hopes to still be an active artist and teacher.

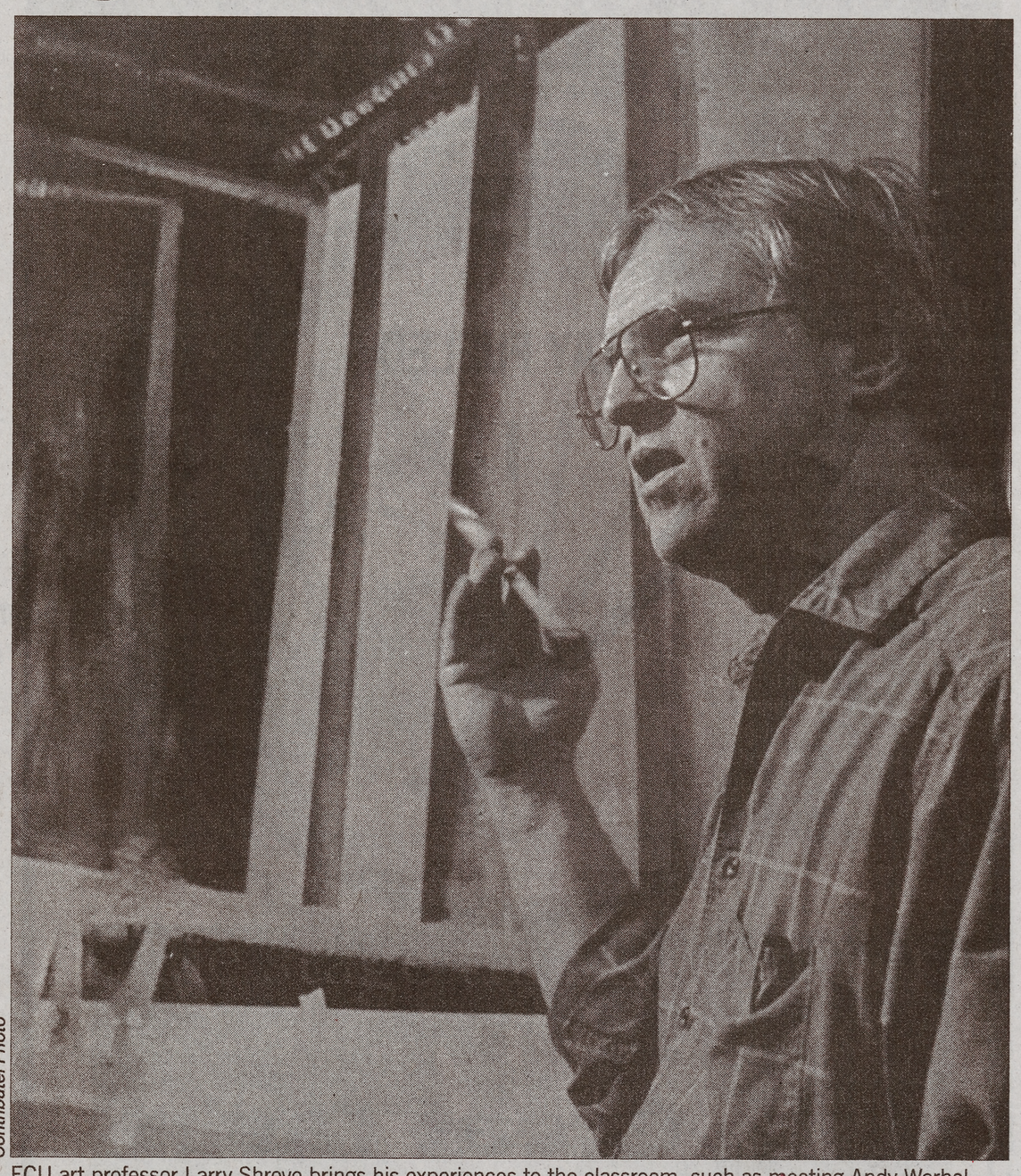
"The best way to keep me interested in art is by teaching these classes. The students are fresh with great new ideas and it constantly renews my visual images," said Shreve.

Shreve encourages aspiring artists to continue creating art despite of the obstacles that arise in the profession.

"A lot people get discouraged and give up, especially if they do not become famous or sell their work...that's not the point, the whole point is to keep doing it," Shreve said.

Shreve's artwork has been displayed in local art exhibitions at the Greenville Museum of Art and Greenville's Emerge Gallery & Art Center.

One of his recent pieces is currently displayed in the Wellington B. Gray Gallery on campus.



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ECU art professor Larry Shreve brings his experiences to the classroom, such as meeting Andy Warhol.

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Blackle.com: saving energy one search at a time

Search engine promotes environmental awareness

CAT POTTER
STAFF WRITER

Internet users around the world are all too familiar with one of the biggest search engines ever created: Google.com

The site has risen in popularity over the years; it gets about 200 million queries a day through all of its services.

In fact, as of July 2006 "google" became an actual word in the Merriam-Webster dictionary, further supporting the popularity of the site to people around the nation.

Being such a large part of the Internet, and the Internet being such a large part of many people's everyday lives, some began to examine how to make this site even better.

On Jan. 20, 2007 a blog posted by www.ecoiron.blogspot.com suggested that changing google.com (which normally has a white background) to a black page would save approximately 750 Megawatt-hours a year.

An excerpt from the blog by Mark Ontkush explains how Google could be turned into an energy conserving search engine.

Take a look at Google, who gets about 200 million queries a day. Let's assume each query is displayed for about 10 seconds; that means Google is running for about 550,000 hours every day on some desktop. Assuming that users run Google in full screen mode, the shift to a black background [on a CRT monitor! mjo] will save a total of 15 (74-59) watts. That turns into a global savings of 8.3 Megawatt-hours per day, or about 3000 Megawatt-hours a year. Now take into account that about 25 percent of the monitors in the world are CRTs, and at 10 cents a kilowatt-hour, that's $75,000, a goodly amount of energy and dollars for changing a few color codes.

After the post of the blog, a group known as "Heap Media" decided to execute this idea and developed www.blackle.com.

Blackle.com was created in 2007 and aims to promote energy conservation through its site with its black background, as well as in other areas of the daily lives of millions around the world.

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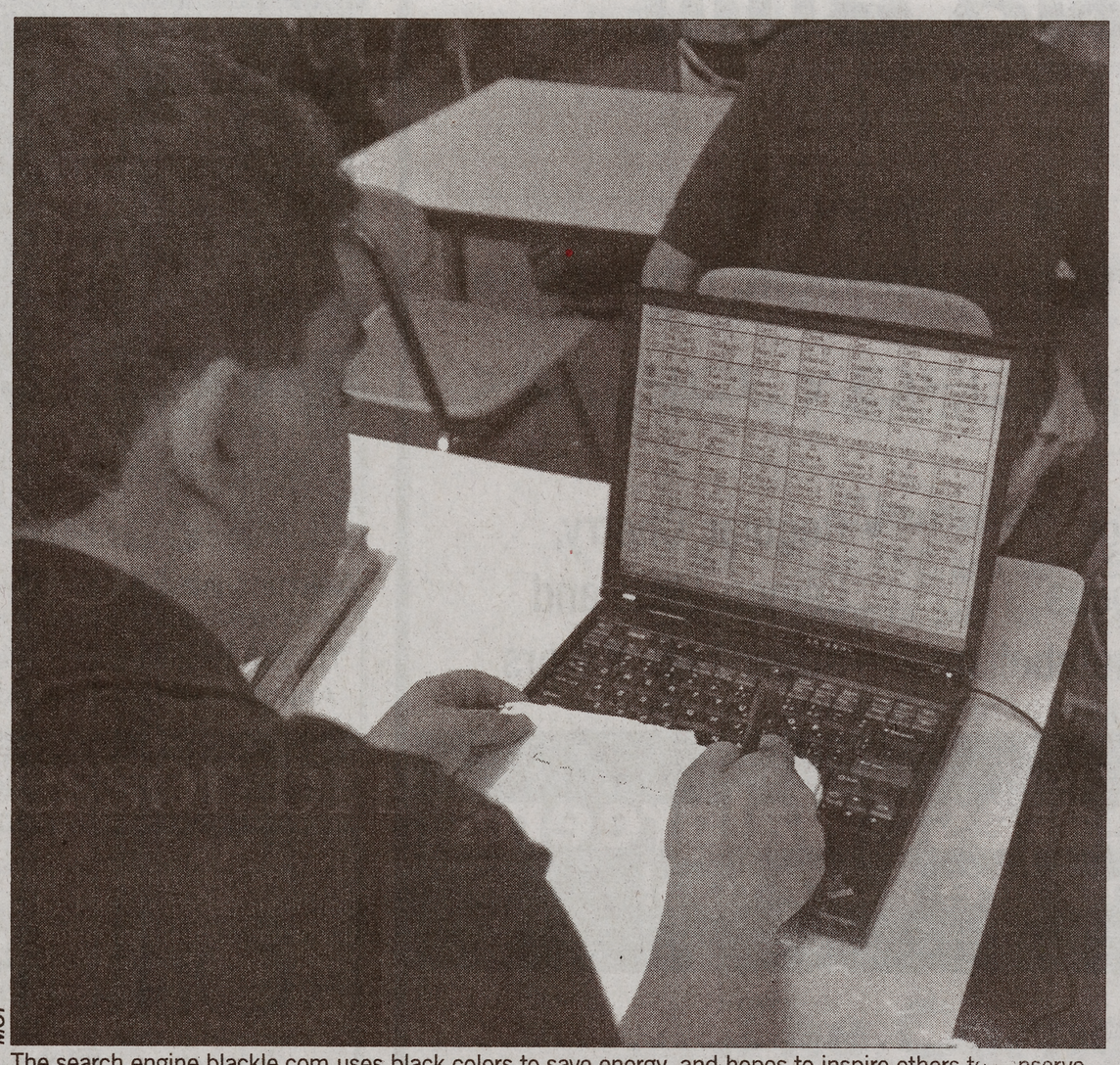

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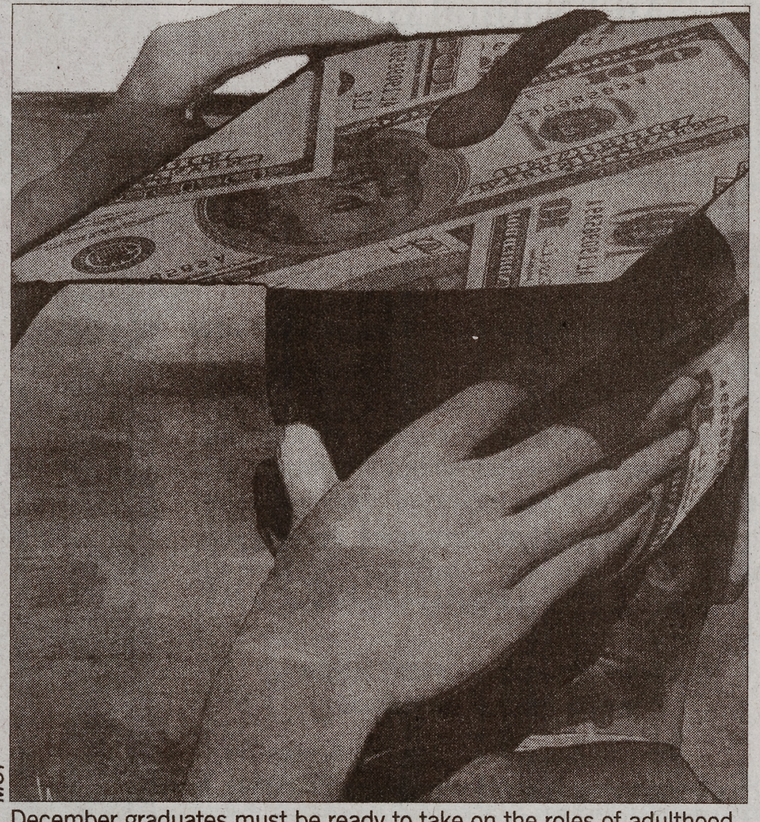
Be ready to walk across the stage this December



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December graduates must be ready to take on the roles of adulthood.

A day four years in the making

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STAFF WRITER

Sept. 5 marked the final day for eligible candidates to apply for December graduation, and while many ECU students are trying to finish out their final semester, intended graduates must complete certain requirements in order to walk across the stage. Along with fulfilling degree requisites, students must order their cap and gown, and fill out certain paperwork that ensures that he or she will be able to graduate.

Eligible students must first confer with their academic advisor about intended majors and degree requirements. Two semesters prior to graduating, each student completes a senior summary sheet, which is then forwarded to the Office of the Registrar. Then the candidate is able to apply for graduation with forms provided by either the Registrar, departmental offices, the cashier's office or online. Along with completing degree requirements, candidates must have maintained a minimum overall and major GPA of 2.0.

Graduation apparel, including gowns, caps and tassels, may be picked up through the Dowdy Student Stores. Since the attire is paid through tuition, the only requirement is for students to complete and bring the official Dowdy Student Stores Commencement Apparel Form to the store in exchange for their graduation wear.

While individual colleges, schools and departments within ECU will have their own recognition ceremonies, the official University Commencement will be Saturday, Dec. 15 in the Williams Area at Minges Coliseum at 10 a.m.

ECU senior Charles Owens, who will receive his B.S. in political science, believes that applying for graduation and getting ready for the ceremony has been a smooth process, especially since Owens was supposed to graduate a semester earlier.

"I had originally applied for graduation in May, but I received an internship, so I have nine hours to complete and I will graduate in December. Although I changed the date, the Registrar's Office was friendly and helpful with the transition," said Owens.

Not only is the ceremony an important part of a students' college career, but the post-graduate journey needs to be taken into consideration before receiving a degree. Jim McAtee, the assistant director and liaison for the College of Fine Arts and Communication at the ECU Career Center,

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believes that being proactive is key.

"Students need to think strategically for post-graduation plans. You can do what everyone else does in looking for jobs, but a good approach is to make a list of companies that you would want to work for. From there, contact the supervisor and have an intelligent conversation with them," said McAtee.

McAtee says this strategy will help students in building relationships with different companies, instead of just sending resumes to human resources. He also recommends students utilize the different resources the Career Center offers, including the main Web site (http://www.ecu.edu/e3careers/) as well as one-on-one consultation and career coaching. These resources will benefit each student in understanding what they need to know to stay prepared for prospective employment.

For those attending the university commencement service, it is advised to arrive no later than 9:30 a.m. to assure seating and minimal distractions.

Preparing for and after graduation is an important part of a college student's career. Staying on top of all of the requirements of ECU for the graduation ceremony will help a student's transition from college to the work force be smooth and exciting.

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how effective the site actually is, but stands by its determination to make a difference.

According to Blackle.com, the search engine believes that there is value in the concept of their site because every little bit of energy conservation counts.

The Web site creators also feel that when users see the Blackle page every time they load their Web browsers, it reminds them to take small steps in conserving energy; they encourage users to make blackle.com their homepage so they will be reminded to participate in energy conservation.

The site links to other websites educating and informing the public on more ways to be environmentally friendly, including www.blackle.com/tips and www.treehugger.com.

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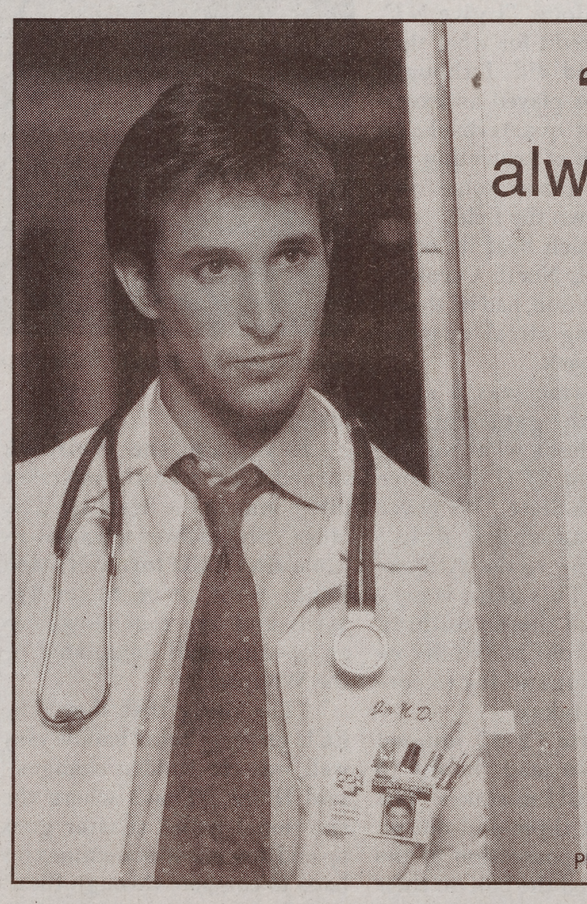
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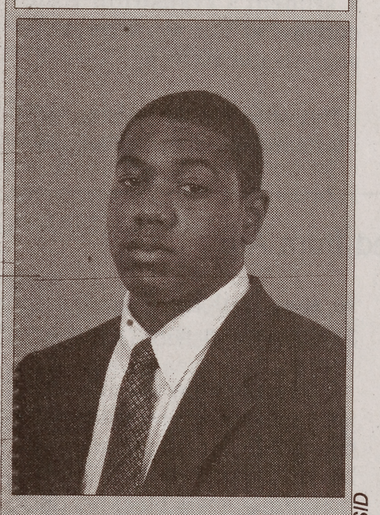

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Jeremy Chambliss

Chambliss filled in for injured linebacker Quentin Cotton against N.C. State Saturday. The redshirt sophomore recorded one of the Pirates' two turnovers in his first collegiate start. With N.C. State up 21-0 early in the second quarter, Chambliss stepped in front of a Daniel Evans pass and returned it 17 yards, setting up ECU's first points of the game. Chambliss' interception stopped the bleeding after the Wolfpack dominated the opening quarter, and ignited the ECU offense as the Pirates' scored 20 unanswered points following his interception.

THE TURNING POINT

The Wolfpack put the nail in the coffin after ECU turned the ball over down 24-20 on its first possession of the fourth quarter. Rob Kass' pass deflected off an ECU lineman's helmet and caromed right into the hands of N.C. State defensive lineman DeMario Pressley. The Wolfpack seemingly ended the game on the ensuing drive when running back Jamelle Eugene slipped behind the ECU defense and hauled in a 15-yard touchdown pass in the corner of the end zone. Eugene's score made it 31-20 and N.C. State went on to win 34-20.

"The ball went up in the air and they intercepted it. Then you're in a sudden change standpoint and I don't think we handled those very well."

-ECU coach Skip Holtz

THEY SAID IT...

ECU coach Skip Holtz:

"It was a hard and frustrating loss. I know from the players' standpoint, they were extremely down and it was a very emotional game for them."

"You can tell that [N.C. State's bye week] was very beneficial to them because they corrected some of the mistakes that were plaguing them. ...We have to take our bumps and bruises from this game and move on to UAB."

"We certainly didn't play very smart or well. We won our last three games with the defense creating a lot of turnovers and giving the offense a short field but when you make mistakes like fumbling or getting a punt blocked, it makes it very difficult to win."

ECU fails to capture 'State Championship'

Rough first quarter costs ECU

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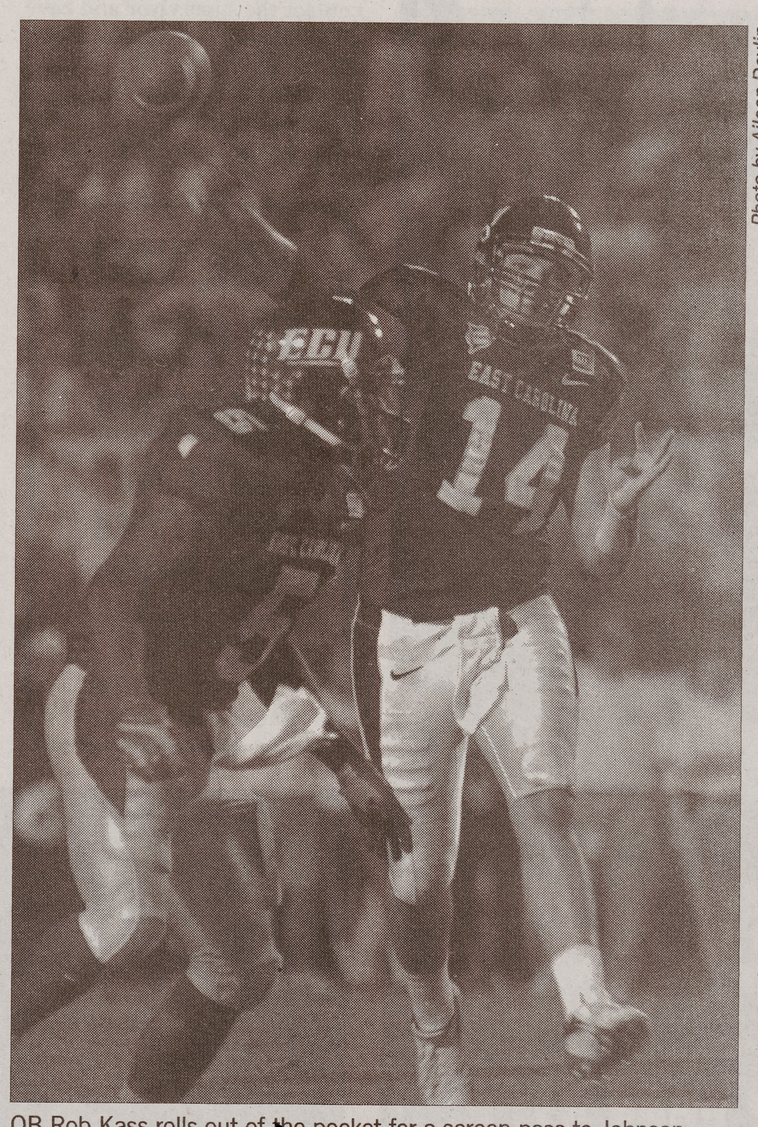

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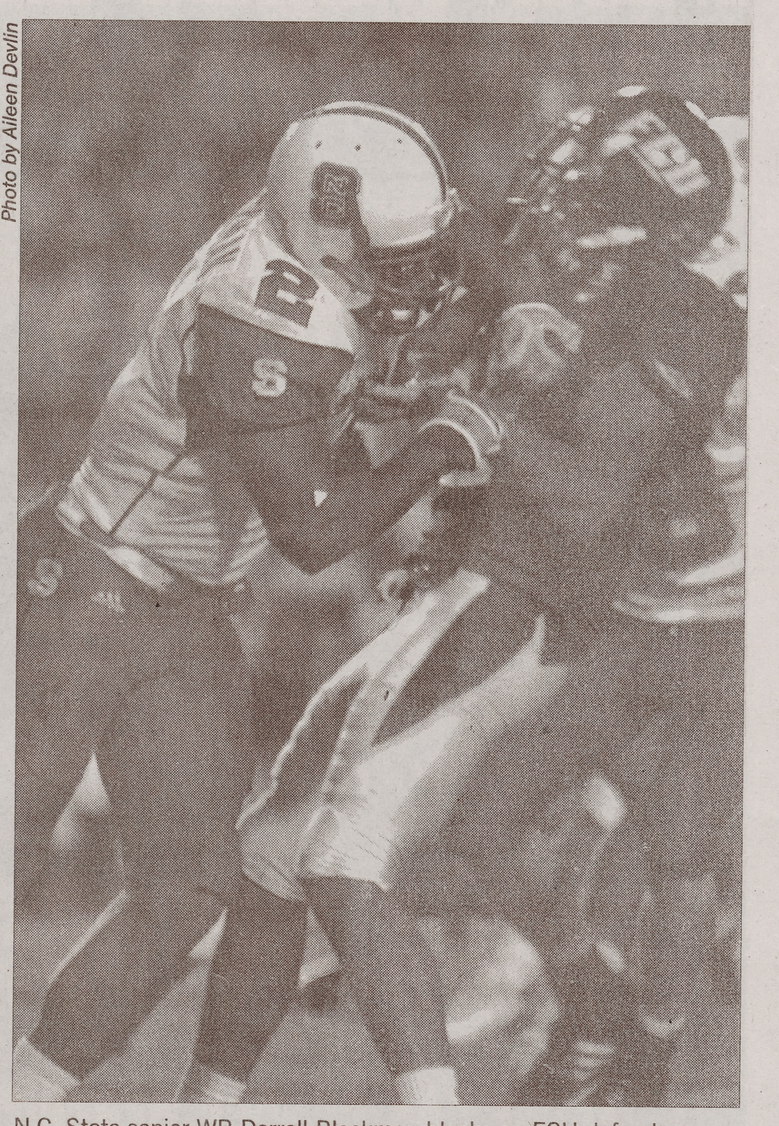
QB Rob Kass rolls out of the pocket for a screen pass to Johnson.



N.C. State senior WR Darrell Blackman blocks an ECU defender.

ECU was not wearing gold jerseys and there was no sighting of John Thompson or Chuck Amato, but somehow N.C. State regained some of its "mojo" from 2004 Saturday at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

The Pirates [4-4] allowed 34 points in a 34-20 loss to the arch-rival Wolfpack, which marked the first time that N.C. State had scored 30 or more points against a Division I-A opponent since it beat ECU 52-14 in Charlotte to end the 2004 season.

"It's very difficult to lose, I know those guys in that locker room are hurt, but they played extremely hard," said ECU coach Skip Holtz. "I give N.C. State a lot credit for what they came out and did. I thought Daniel Evans played an excellent game at quarterback; he did a nice job of protecting the football and threw some very nice balls down the field."

ECU, which beat its other in-state rival, North Carolina, earlier this season, had its three-game winning streak snapped by the Wolfpack.

"This game was a state championship game for our goals, and that's what we lost tonight," said ECU defensive lineman Zack Slate. "We never looked ahead and it didn't have anything to do with the conference. This game is over with now and there's nothing we can do about it; tomorrow we'll review it and try to correct the mistakes."

N.C. State [2-5] jumped out to a 21-0 lead thanks to numerous ECU mistakes. The Pirates went three-and-out on their second possession of the game, fumbled the ball on their third possession and had a punt blocked for a touchdown on their fourth possession.

"We played very poorly in the first half, with some of the mistakes," Holtz said. "We made some very uncharacteristic mistakes that we haven't been making."

Evans and the Wolfpack turned ECU's costly mistakes into points in the first half. Two of N.C. State's three touchdowns came after ECU turnovers, and Evans went 18-of-28 for 178 yards and two touchdowns in an opening half dominated by the Wolfpack.

"The thing that they [the ECU players] didn't handle very well was the sudden changes," said Holtz. "That's where the emotional roller coaster goes up and down, and sometimes it's hard to compete through that."

The surprising start to the 25th meeting between the two schools separated by 90 miles finally turned in ECU's favor early in the second quarter, thanks to Jeremy Chambliss.

Chambliss, who was starting in place of the injured Quentin Cotton, intercepted an Evans pass in Wolfpack territory and returned it 17 yards to setup ECU's first score of the game.

"I was just at the right place at the right time, and the ball just kind of bounced right into my hands," Chambliss said. "[Defensive coordinator] Greg Hudson made a great play call, and we just executed the defense."

Johnson cashed in on the Chambliss interception with a 1-yard touchdown run that made the score 21-7 halfway through the second quarter. Following Chambliss' interception, the Pirates scored 20 unanswered points to make it 21-20 in the third quarter, but never held a lead.

"We wanted it [this game] bad, especially knowing that we beat North Carolina," said Chambliss. "We just let this one slip away from us."

The Wolfpack sealed their first road win over a Division I-A opponent in almost two years early in the fourth quarter.

After a Rob Kass interception, Evans hit Jamelle Eugene in the corner of the end zone for the score that put N.C. State up 31-20.

"We made some changes that worked out for us, and I'm just really happy for these kids," said Wolfpack coach Tom O'Brien. "The challenge was to come out there and play four quarters, which they did."

ECU has played a very emotional schedule so far, including two recent road trips to the state of Texas, while N.C. State had a bye week prior to its short trip to Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

"At some point, I worry about playing eight weeks in a row and the emotional games that we've been in for eight weeks in a row," said Holtz. "It's been the quality of the opponent and level of competition in the games. All of them have come down to the wire and at some point you get drained a little bit.

"The conference asked us to fly to UTEP and then come back and play this game and that's what we have to do. I'm certainly not using that as a crutch, but I would've loved to have some time to get the players' legs underneath them but we didn't have that. We just have to line up and play."

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Bedlam at Bladez on Ice

ECU ice hockey team states its case

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Photo by Samantha Johnson

Sophomore defender Donovan Dean (5) checks a N.C. State player right in front of the Pirates' net.

N.C. State skated into the Bladez on Ice rink as the unquestioned match favorite, boasting a perfect record against ECU and upholding seemingly superior Division II (ACHA) status.

After an early Pirate goal sent the packed rink into hysterics, it became evident that ECU was up to the challenge of pulling off an upset. The Pirates knocked the Wolfpack down early and withstood a late rally to claim a landmark 6-4 victory.

After falling behind 4-0 and trailing 5-2 heading into the third period, N.C. State fought back to narrow the ECU lead to 5-4 with just 3:12 remaining on the clock. With the Wolfpack pushing forward without a goaltender and an extra attacker on the ice, senior Corey Fleitz broke away to score an empty-netter with 23 seconds left to assure the win.

"It's a lot of fun beating those guys, knowing a lot of them and playing with them last year," said Sean Burns, a transfer from N.C. State. "It's a good win for us with them being Division II."

From the deafening roars that followed ECU goals to the taunting Wolfpack goaltender Stephen Russell endured all night from ECU students, home ice was definitely a factor in this chapter of a budding rivalry.

The atmosphere is something Joe Colatuno, who played for N.C. State (2002-2003), doesn't take for granted.

"We were lucky to get 150 [people]," said Colatuno of the atmosphere while playing at N.C. State. "It's just incredible. The crowd kept us in the game. That's what made us push forward. I'm really proud of this turnout."

It took less than five minutes for Burns and the speedy ECU offense to record its first goal. Burns found his way in front of the net to knock in the opening goal and push the Pirates ahead of his former team.

Nearly six minutes later, Sam Duehring assisted on fellow freshman Nick Dinardo's power play goal. Donovan Dean capped off the first period with a scorching slap shot from just inside the blue line to give ECU a 3-0 lead heading into the first intermission.

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Pirates notch two key conference wins

ECU remains undefeated at home

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The Lady Pirates continued their conference play this weekend at Bunting Field, facing Houston and Rice.

ECU shut out Houston Friday afternoon, 3-0, with all three goals coming in the first half.

The Pirates got their first goal on a header from Blair Hefner, who leads the team in both goals (5) and points (11).

ECU's first goal was scored with 33 minutes to play in the first half and was assisted by Nicole Moore.

The Pirates had many firsts in their game against Houston.

Freshman Tricia Tufts scored her first goal of the year with about nine minutes to play in the first half.

The goal was assisted by standout freshman back/midfielder Amanda Broz.

"We got an early lead against Houston and that really helped in that game," said coach Rob Donnenwirth.

Freshman Regan Sigler also scored her first career goal with just 19 seconds remaining in the first half of play.

Goalkeeper Jen Kurowicki also saw her first appearance of the season, logging 18 minutes while the Pirates held the Cougars to just one shot on goal in the second half.

ECU had an impressive 16 shots in the game.

The Pirates then faced tough conference opponent Rice on Sunday afternoon.

The teams had very similar records in the conference prior to the match. ECU held a 2-1-1 record and Rice had a record of 2-0-1.

"I knew the game was going to be very different from the Houston game," said Donnenwirth. "We watched some tape; we knew it was going to be a battle."

The game was scoreless at

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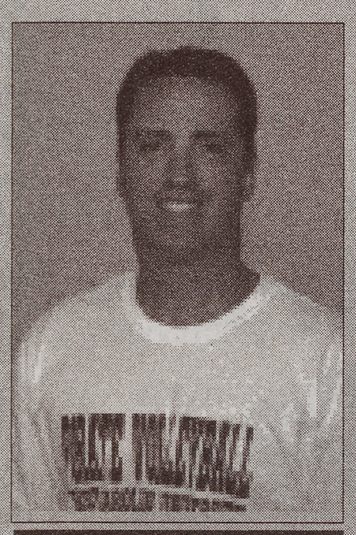
Senior defenders Kat Norris and Patty Pierce look on as ECU goalie Amber Campbell makes a save in the waning minutes against Rice.

ECU falls to conference leader



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Coach Rushing

Pirates lose, but show promise

HART HOLLOMAN
STAFF WRITER

The volleyball team lost a hard-fought match to conference leader Marshall Sunday afternoon at Minges Coliseum. The Pirates (12-13, 3-7) fell to the favored Thundering Herd (16-8, 9-1) in a thrilling five-game match in front of a raucous home crowd.

In the first game, the Pirates came out and kept pace with the Herd early. With the score leveled at 10, the Pirates went on a 9-3 run to pull ahead. But the Herd came storming back to pull within two, and with the score at 24-22 Pirate coach Chris Rushing called timeout. That proved to be just what the Pirates needed, as they closed out the game with a 6-1 run behind the serve of sophomore Hannah Fenker.

The second game began as a back-and-forth affair, similar to the first. The Herd jumped out to slight early lead and kept it until the Pirates pulled even at 19-19. But from there the Herd took over and dominated the back end of the game to take it 30-24.

The third game was almost a mirror image of the second. Again, the Herd kept a slight lead throughout most of the game until the Pirates tied the score at 22. Just as it looked like the Pirates would grab the momentum, the Herd took three straight points, forcing a timeout call from Rushing. However, it did nothing to help the Pirates, and the Herd took the game 30-23.

The fourth game began with the Pirates needing a win to extend the match into game five, and the young team responded to the situation. They took the early lead, but the experienced Marshall team came back to tie the game at 27. The Herd went ahead and, facing two match points, the Pirates came back to tie and force a deuce situation. The Pirates again faced match point after going down 30-29, but clawed their way back to reel off three straight points and take the game 32-30, forcing a deciding fifth game.

In the fifth, the Pirates again took the early lead and again the Herd came back. Leading 10-9, a questionable no-call on what the Pirate fans thought was double contact infraction put the Herd up two, and the Pirates never recovered. They would go on to lose the game 15-12, and the match three games to two.

The injury depleted Pirates entered the match against the Thundering Herd with only nine available players, having to piece together a lineup with mostly sophomores and freshmen. The lone upperclassman available for the game was senior Kelly Wernert, who more than carried her share of the load with a game-high 27 kills. Sophomore's Peyton Thompson and Melissa Zentner chipped in with 17 and eight kills, respectively.

Rushing said that the team's injuries changed the gameplan.

"Most of our team is playing out of position," he said. "We have a lot of injuries and illnesses going on. In the last game or two we've had to move people around a lot. Hannah [Fenker] did a good job hitting tonight, but she's not the best blocker. So we had to move Melissa [Zetner] over to the left, which she's used to, to try to counter their big hitters."

Rushing also pointed out the encouraging fact that Marshall came in with six upperclassmen on its roster, four of whom are seniors, and the Pirates took them to five games with only one upperclassman in the lineup.

"Playing against the number one team in the conference, that has four seniors who are very, very good; I think the team realizes that they will be able to take down teams like Marshall next year," said Rushing. "If we play the way we played tonight, there's a lot of damage that we can do to teams like them in the conference this year."

Even though the Pirates lost, the positives of the team's play were not lost to the players.

"I think the team played really well," said Zetner. "We came out better than when we played them on Friday, we played more as a team and we were playing at home, so we were more excited with our fans backing us up."

The Pirates return to action at home Friday, Nov. 2 against UCF at 7 p.m.

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halftime, but ECU out-shot Rice 3-1.

ECU had many good attempts in the first half and controlled the ball better in first half than the second.

In the second half Madison Keller had a great shot with 41 minutes remaining, but it was blocked by the Owl's goalie.

Rice had many breakaways as well as direct kicks and corner kicks in the second half, but ECU had a very strong defensive effort.

"Our defense played really well," said Donnenwirth. "I can't say enough about those four. Also the midfielders came back and helped defend a lot. It was a great effort by everyone."

Nicole Moore saved a potential goal with 22 minutes remaining.

Rice had eight corner kicks in the game.

"We knew they [Rice] get a lot of corners," Donnenwirth said. "We were ready for that and we knew which player they were looking for and kept her marked."

With about 3 minutes left in regulation Broz scored her third goal of the year and the only goal of the contest.

Broz netted a great shot on a throw in from Nicole Moore.

"I was ready; I was like, 'Let's do this'," said Broz. "It was awesome."

Broz also accounted for three of ECU's five shots in the game.

The other two shots were recorded by Madison Keller and Patty Pierce

"We were all really tired and we knew it was going to be a 90 minute battle," said senior Jami Dickerson.

The Owls had six shots on the day and just one on goal.

The Pirates moved to 9-2-3 on the year and 3-1-1 in conference.

Goalie Amber Campbell has only allowed five goals so far this season and recorded her 21st career shutout against Rice Sunday.

Campbell is now within one shutout of the school record.

Both Broz and Dickerson noted that the team had set a goal of being undefeated at home this year.

The Pirates are now 8-0-0 at home with only two home games remaining against UAB and Memphis.

"10-0 at home is a big goal, but we play very well at home," said Donnenwirth. "I have nothing bad to say about this weekend. I'm proud of these kids"

ECU continues action this weekend on the road against Colorado College on Friday and UTEP on Sunday.

The Pirates will return home the weekend of Nov. 2 for the final two matches of the regular season.

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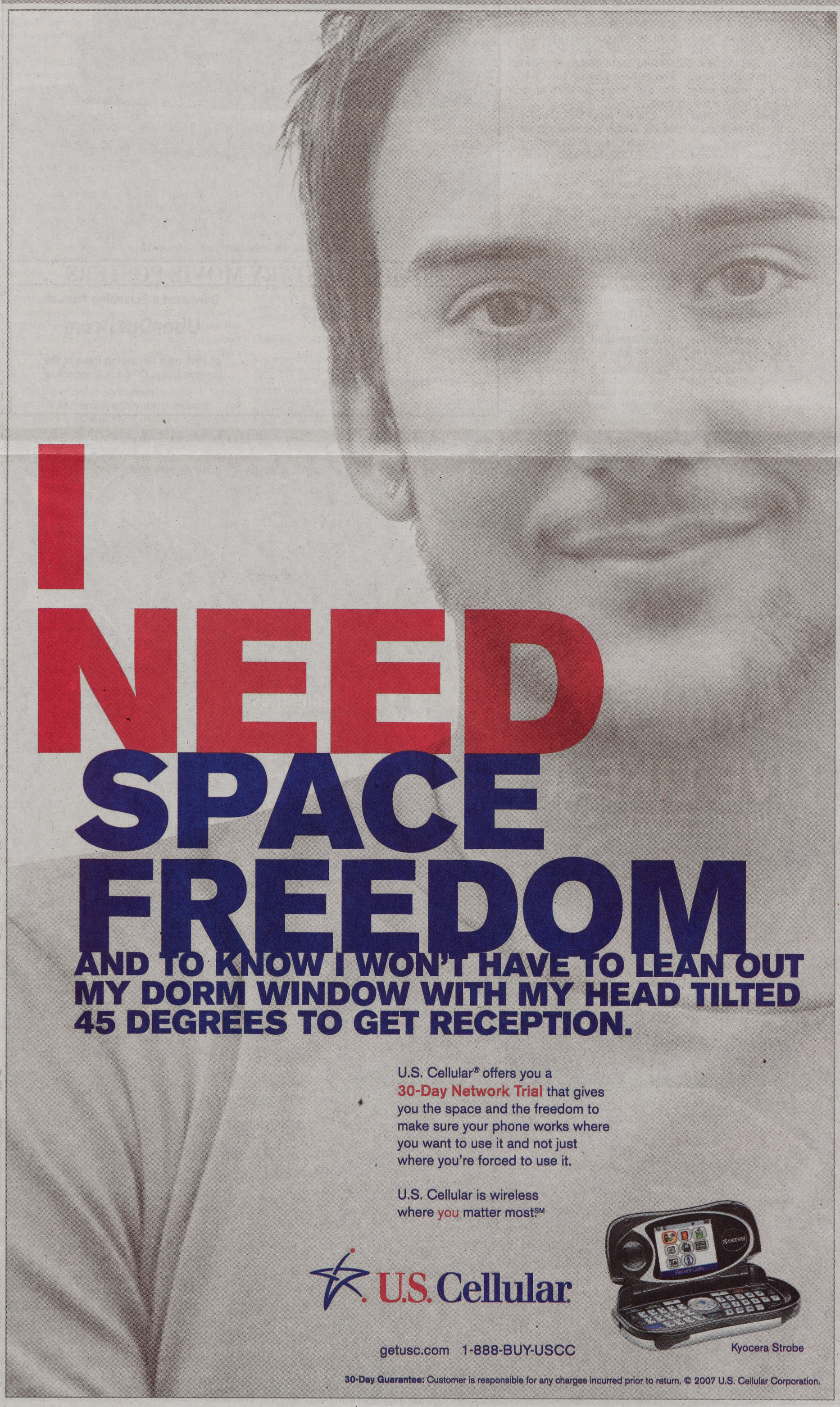

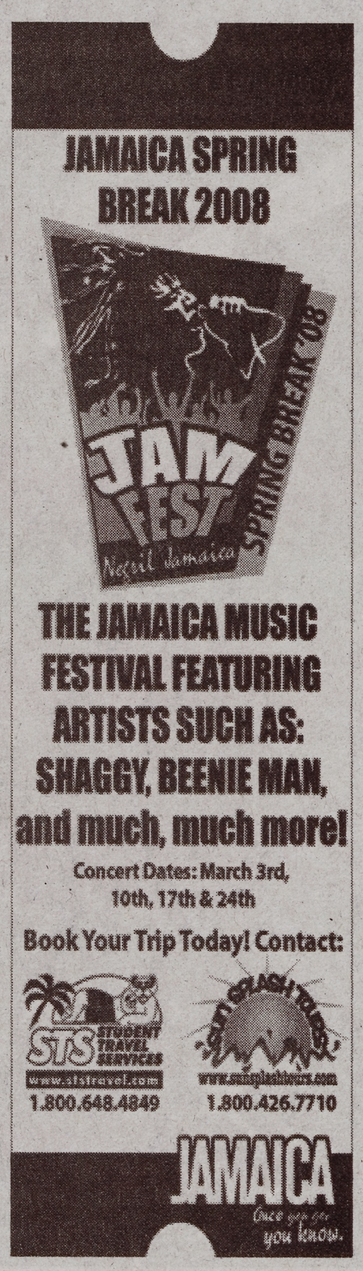

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Photo by Samantha Johnson

Freshman defender Ryan Kanchalski rocks the boards by body checking a player on the hated Wolfpack.

"When you get a team like N.C. State, jumping on them quickly with three goals turns the momentum in our favor," said coach Wayne Cox of the fast start. "It gets the fans into the game; it changes the whole complexion of the game."

ECU showed no signs of letting up in the initial stages of the second period as Chris Cesario gave the Pirates a four-goal advantage.

And then the penalties came. The Wolfpack cut the lead in half on two power play goals.

ECU regained the momentum at the 9:22 mark when Joe Sonatore gained control of a loose puck; Sonatore dashed in on the right side of the ice and completed an off-balance, centering pass to the trailing Steven Allbright. Allbright finished off the one timer in front of the net to bring the ECU lead to 5-2.

The Pirates would take that lead into the third period along with two carry-over penalties.

N.C. State's Michael Cerretti found the top of the net on ECU goaltender Matt Dalgetty in the second minute of the period.

"Penalties killed us," said Cox. "With a couple of our kids playing for [N.C.] State in the past, it gets in their head a little bit and we made some stupid penalties. There's a fine line between playing emotional hockey and letting your emotions get the best of you."

The Wolfpack pounded away on Dalgetty the remainder of the period, forcing the freshman to make multiple saves. The 'Pack finally beat the Pirates at full strength with 3:12 remaining, tightening the game at 5-4 before the Fleitz finisher in the final minute.

As the buzzer sounded, the ECU players swarmed Dalgetty for his late game heroics. With so much talent at the goaltender position, starting in arguably the biggest game in ECU club ice hockey history was the furthest thing from Dalgetty's mind at the beginning of the season.

"Coming in this year, with Brent [Falcon] being the founder of the program and Connor [Brearley] playing here two years, I was definitely expecting not to play at all this season," said Dalgetty. "But Brent's been playing good too. I'm glad we've got both of us there."

The win propels ECU to 5-1 on the season and strengthens the Pirates' resume for seeding in the ACHA South Regionals next semester.

"This is their Div. II team," said Cox of N.C. State. "This shows us we can compete at a national level, certainly in Div. III."

ECU will take this weekend off before hitting the road for six straight games beginning with a visit to Maryland on Nov. 2 to face John Hopkins. The Pirates will also take on Loyola-MD, which knocked ECU out of last season's ACHA South Regionals.

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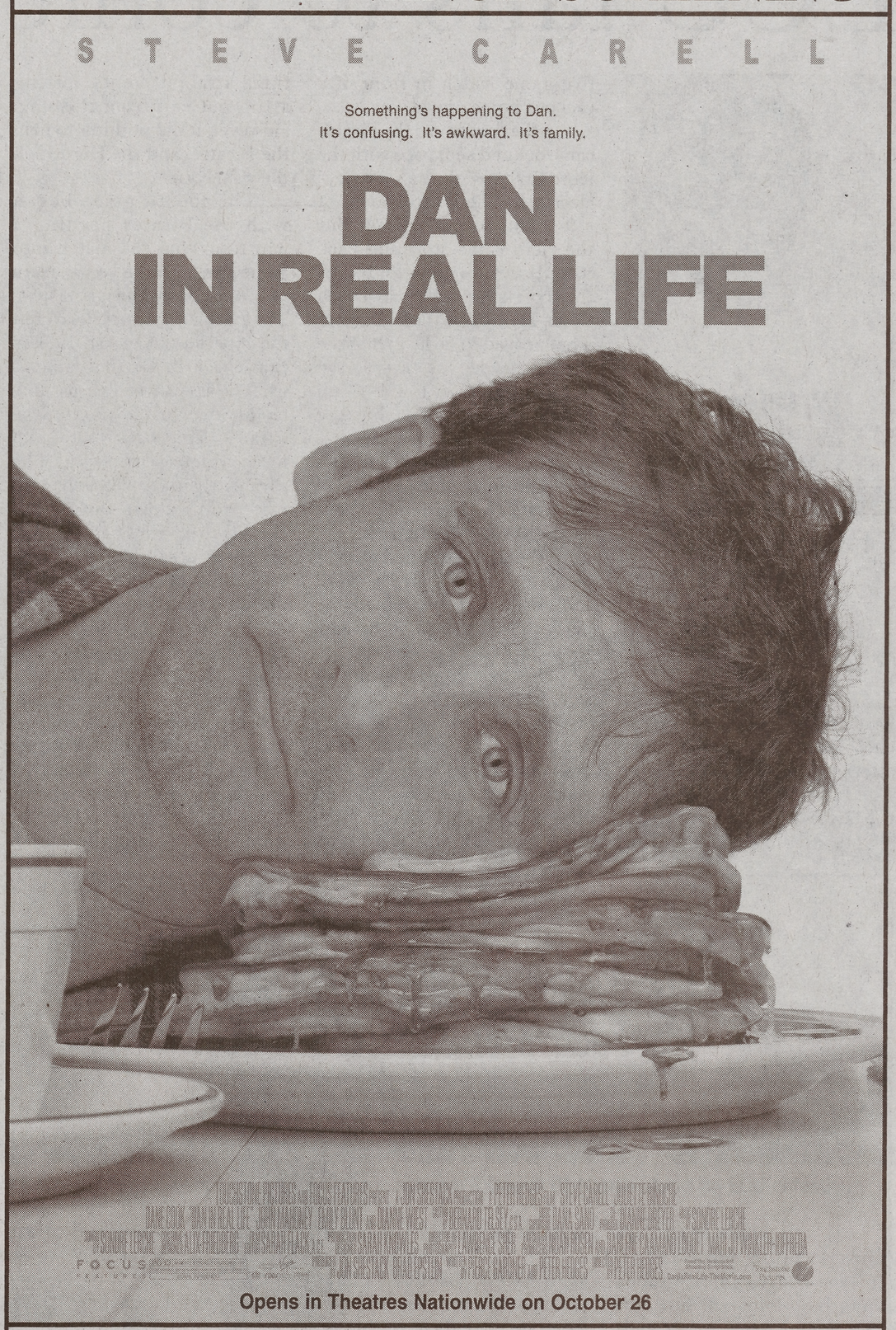

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Rudolph Giuliani is perhaps the most promising candidate in the 2008 presidential race for the Republican Party. That said, if he is to win a ticket in the nomination, he must first gain the trust and popularity of the religious right. This core group of voters is composed of Evangelicals and other Protestant religions and played no less than a huge role in the election of Bush in both 2001 and the last election. Last week, Giuliani made his first attempt to do this at the "Values Voter Summit" where he stared out into a crowd of 2,000 people and told them he was not their enemy.

Giuliani recognized that most of his audience perhaps had differences with him. His liberal views on social issues and his personal life led many in the crowd to dismiss his chances of winning the Republican nomination. Mr. Giuliani, after all, supports abortion and gay rights and has been divorced twice. Raised Roman Catholic, he attended Catholic schools and now does not attend church regularly.

With all of this against him, Giuliani, with a tone of humility and honesty managed to convince some people he wasn't so bad after all. Mr. Giuliani's modesty shone through when he said: "I come to you today as I would if I were your president, with an open mind and an open heart, and all I ask is that you do the same. Please know this; you have absolutely nothing to fear from me."

Along with this noninvasive attitude, he convinced others by ensuring that he would work to maintain key issues to people of faith. Giuliani vowed to reduce abortion and increase adoptions, to keep people of faith in politics and to appoint strict constructionist judges and to protect school choice.

After giving his speech, many critics admitted that his performance may have persuaded some Christian conservatives to lose some of the opposition to his bid. Others, however, were not to be swayed.

Some see Giuliani as sanctimonious and actually an embodiment of what Christian values are not to be. In his speech Giuliani said that many Christian "values are under assault by a culture that is moving in the wrong direction." Some see Giuliani as himself one who moves in that direction. The list of skeletons in Giuliani's closet is long and colorful. From cross-dressing to extramarital affairs, Rudy has his share of sucking up to do to make good with the Christian Right.

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GoodSearching the Internet

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Perhaps I am behind the times—I am usually the last one to know something—and most of you have already heard about this, but I have only recently learned about GoodSearch.com. To put it simply, GoodSearch is a free search engine powered by Yahoo that allows you to raise money for the charity of your choice. Whenever you perform a search or make a purchase from one of their online merchant partners, GoodSearch will make a donation to your charity. The money comes from the stores and advertisers and costs you nothing.

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My charity of choice is Friends of Rocky Mount Animals. I live in Rocky Mount, and one of my dogs recently escaped from his pen and was missing for a few days. While out looking for him, I checked the Rocky Mount Animal Shelter to see if he'd been picked up, and that's where I learned about "F.O.R. Animals."

F.O.R. Animals works to find homes all up and down the East Coast for the unwanted dogs and cats in Rocky Mount. Volunteers transport animals to their new homes, and some of the money raised is used to offset fuel costs and toll booth charges. Money is also used to provide medical care for sick or injured animals that can still provide a lot of love and enjoyment, but would otherwise have to be put down. I know how much I love my dog, and it's nice to know that I can be a part of helping other dogs find good homes too.

What do you care about? Take a look at GoodSearch and browse through the list of charities. There's something for everyone, and when you find it, just make GoodSearch your default homepage. Every time you're researching for those boring papers no one but your professor will read, or just sitting up late at night looking for cheap thrills, make something good come out of it. It doesn't hurt to care.

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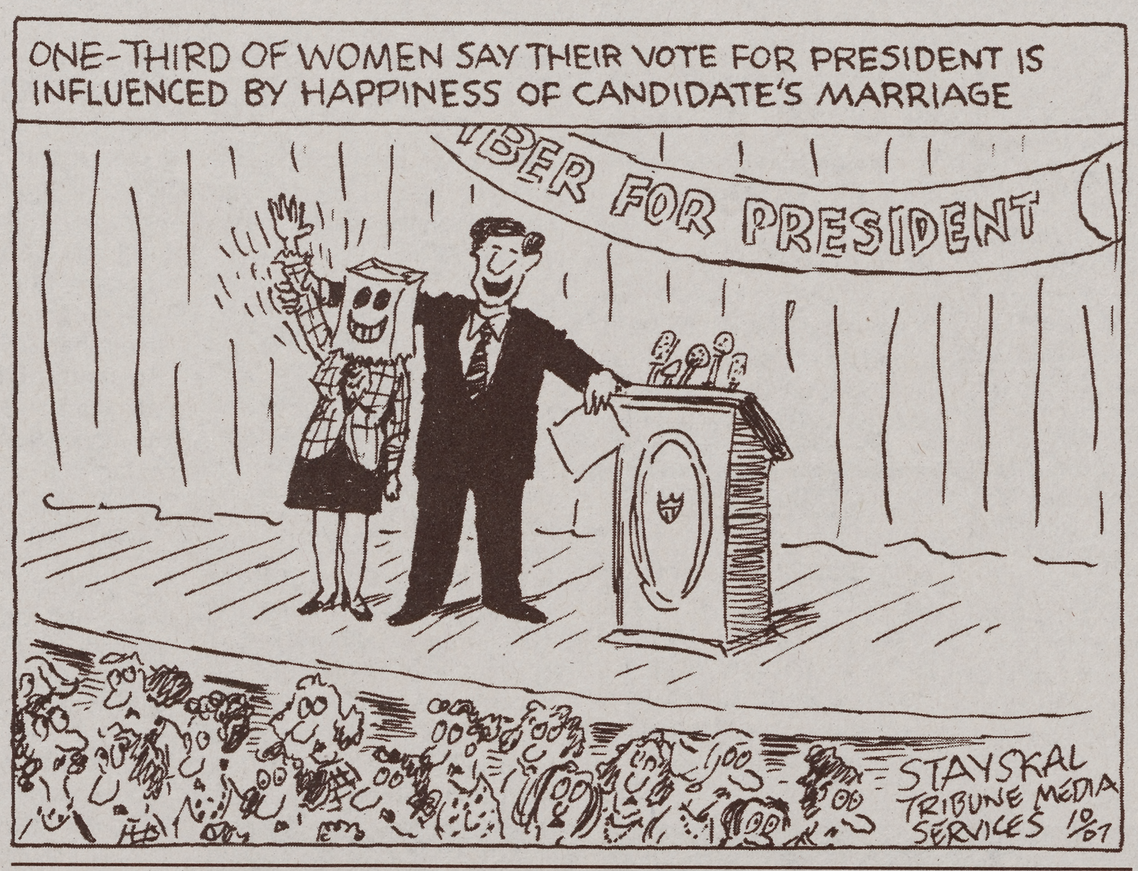

BEST OF THE PIRATE RANTS

Today's Rants have been pulled for your pleasure from issues dating back at least a year due to technical difficulties with the service that provides them. We hope to have fresh thoughts back up by Thursday. We're sorry for the inconvenience but at least you'll get your bi-weekly fix!

The *East Carolinian* does not endorse statements made in Pirate Rants. Questions regarding Rants can be directed to Rachel King, Opinion Page Editor, at opinion@theeastcarolinian.com. Log onto theeastcarolinian.com to submit a Rant of your own.

The desire/need to get back to school is strongest when your parents knock on your door and tell you to go to turn off your light and go to bed. I'm 18 for Pete's sake!

Why are there so many negative terms for women but almost none for men?

Please do me a favor and stop wearing perfume to the gym. Honestly, is it necessary? No, it's not, really I promise. Plus no one wants to smell your sweat mixed with your bad choice of perfume.

Chuck Norris has nothing on MacGyver.

You have no idea how annoying it is to be sitting somewhere quietly and all of a sudden, you hear scuffling noises because someone's too lazy to pick up their feet. God gave you feet so use them instead of dragging them across the campus or in the basement. And if you simply can't do that, then perhaps you weren't meant to wear sandals, slippers, or any type of shoe that's heavier.

I heard that when you come to class and the teacher is not there a professor is allowed up to 15 minutes to be late before you leave and a doctor gets 30 minutes. So what do we give graduate students?

To the girl on the bus yesterday that said my boyfriend is too cute for me, you must be jealous because you will never get a guy like him. Remember, he is with me and not with you!

Can someone tell me a good time to go to the gym? I mean, without having to fight the anorexics for the ellipticals.

Stop eating so much and complaining your pills made you gain weight... it's your eating habits. Stop eating everything FRIED 6 times a day and complaining to me about it. I'd feel sick too.

If you're joining a sorority to get drunk, move on. That's not what it's about and until you find a deeper meaning behind it and learn what it really means to be a part of one, you should reevaluate your decision. You're going to make us look bad.

I am seriously about to scream or do something irrational from sexual frustration.

I'm not talented in singing, so I shouldn't sing. You are not talented in losing weight, so you shouldn't wear that.

I shaved my toes on Saturday and I think they look very nice now.

To all my friends - I have low standards when I get hammered. Why do you continue to let me hook up with ugly girls just so you can laugh at me? I don't like it.

So, is anyone else considering contacting that mail-order Russian bride that emailed everyone in the school?

Do you ever realize that you are out of toilet paper right as you cross the point of no return?

My roommate and I think we have undiagnosed narcolepsy with a side of ADD.

Ladies, if you want to compliment me, tell me my hair looks magnificent. Because it does.

I don't know why, but away messages make me feel the need to put my entire life up for the whole world to see.

My advice to everyone: Do not sit in a window seat on the bus when it's raining out. The seat is always wet and squishy.

I can have nonsense conversations with people in classes or pretty much anyone else in the world, but I can't have an even slightly meaningful or real conversation with my closest friends. What's wrong with me?

Some advisors are not helpful at all.

Why do some girls put so much pressure on marriage? It's a little bit scary ladies.

Get off Facebook. It is evil.

Yes, I admit it - I knock on doors, run away and laugh.

I'm tired of Pirate Rants about homosexuals - mind your own business!

The drunk bus is a gift from God.

Dude, you can't meet girls by looking at my Facebook friends list.

Why is my beer always gone when I get home and my roommates are always drunk?

Girls - If a guy looks at your face instead of your body, he's interested.

Every time I read one of these anonymous confessions of love in the Rants, I secretly hope it's you talking to me.

Is the phrase, "eat my shorts" still considered an insult?

Am I the only one here that is ready to get out in the real world? Partying every night got old the second week of my freshman year. Get me out of here and let me be with people who aren't alcoholics!

Being skinny is overrated! When I was skinny, everyone tried to feed me. Now... just look at this butt! J Lo ain't got nothing on me!

Don't you love it when your best friend gets a boyfriend and they always pick them over you? I know I love to lose my best friend to a guy. Especially when you said you'd never "pick a guy over your friends." Yeah, some friend you've become.

It would make me really happy if my neighbors got evicted.

I have a two-strap book bag but I gangsta lean as I walk so I rock it with one strap.

Halloween, the perfect excuse for girls to skank out.

Who are you and where are my pants?

You're at a football game. Stand up and cheer.

I hate that my best friend calls me fat but she's definitely fatter than I am.

For the ranter who said, "Stop liking girls who wear leotards," they should stop by Messick and then you'll realize why "Girls who wear leotards" are catching your friend's eye!

My heater is emitting fumes... The fumes are making me high. Maintenance won't fix my fume-filled heater. I'm still high. Am I breaking a law? I've got to be breaking some kind of policy.

Is there a law in Greenville that no matter how crappy your car is you must have huge shiny rims on it?

I drink my coffee with a straw!

Please don't be rude to me if I ask you to not touch me. I have verminophobia, and I can't help it!

I appreciate that my two new roommates this year know what dryer lint is and know how to remove it as well.

I have a belly button fetish... is that weird?

The other day I was walking down College Hill and a chicken patty from the dinning hall came flying out of a vehicle and hit me in the face. What is that about? I think I got patty smacked.

Why is it that my roommate's freshman girlfriend has her own room and her roommate is never there, but always insists on spending nights in our room? This is driving me insane!

Maybe if you smelled better, more girls would be interested in you.

Do any girls actually enjoy watching Sports Center? It's the first thing a guy flips to, so I just keep my mouth shut and watch, but deep down I wish it didn't exist.

If you are so offended by people stereotyping you as a sorority girl, why did you join the sorority in the first place?

Not even in 20 beers.

Sometimes I wish I could just sleep all day. Not talk to anyone or do anything. Just sleep.

To the girl who said that a girl's interested if a girl makes eye contact with you more than once, that's true, unless she's just double-checking to see how ugly you are.

Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week, wha?

Then again - who is paying attention

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Apparently, conservative David Horowitz has designated this week to be, as he calls it, "Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week." If you are like most students however, I am sure your attention is focused more passionately on your newest test grade, or in some cases, float decorations. Or like me, wondering if your vote for Homecoming Queen went unheard. Nonetheless, this leads me to ask David Horowitz in regards to this week; why?

I mean, sure this might seem like an important issue to Anne Coulter and Rick Santorum, but you are going about it all wrong. How many students really pay attention to issues like this? I might take a sarcastic slant on Mr. Horowitz and his gang, but after my stint on O'Reilly, I do not want anyone to miss the joke. I will try and stick to the script for today.

No need to answer the question asked in the previous paragraph, as I already know the answer. In my time at ECU I have seen the extent of student apathy in events, programs and causes. The trend sadly follows the idea that, unless an issue directly pertains to the student, their involvement or interest will nearly always drop to none.

Before you toss the word "biased" at me, this fact holds for both sides. A glance at the Mendenhall Student Center's list of events this week will not show a single interested party either for Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week, or against it. Come on, college Republicans, where my conservatives at?! That goes for you, too, liberals. With tag lines like busting the myth that "Global Warming is a greater danger to Americans than the terrorist threat," I'd think you would be all over this.

I swear, sometimes I feel as if Greenville and their inhabitants are secluded in their own personal bubble, shielded and cut off from reality. My broken record message continues to spin and I play on deaf ears. A topic like this is not that hard to look into. Sure you can play the 'unaffected card' with world relations, but this is happening in your own backyard.

ECU is a family living under one roof and we should support each other when someone comes knocking unsolicited at our door. Wake up friends, because members of your family may be hurt in the days to come.

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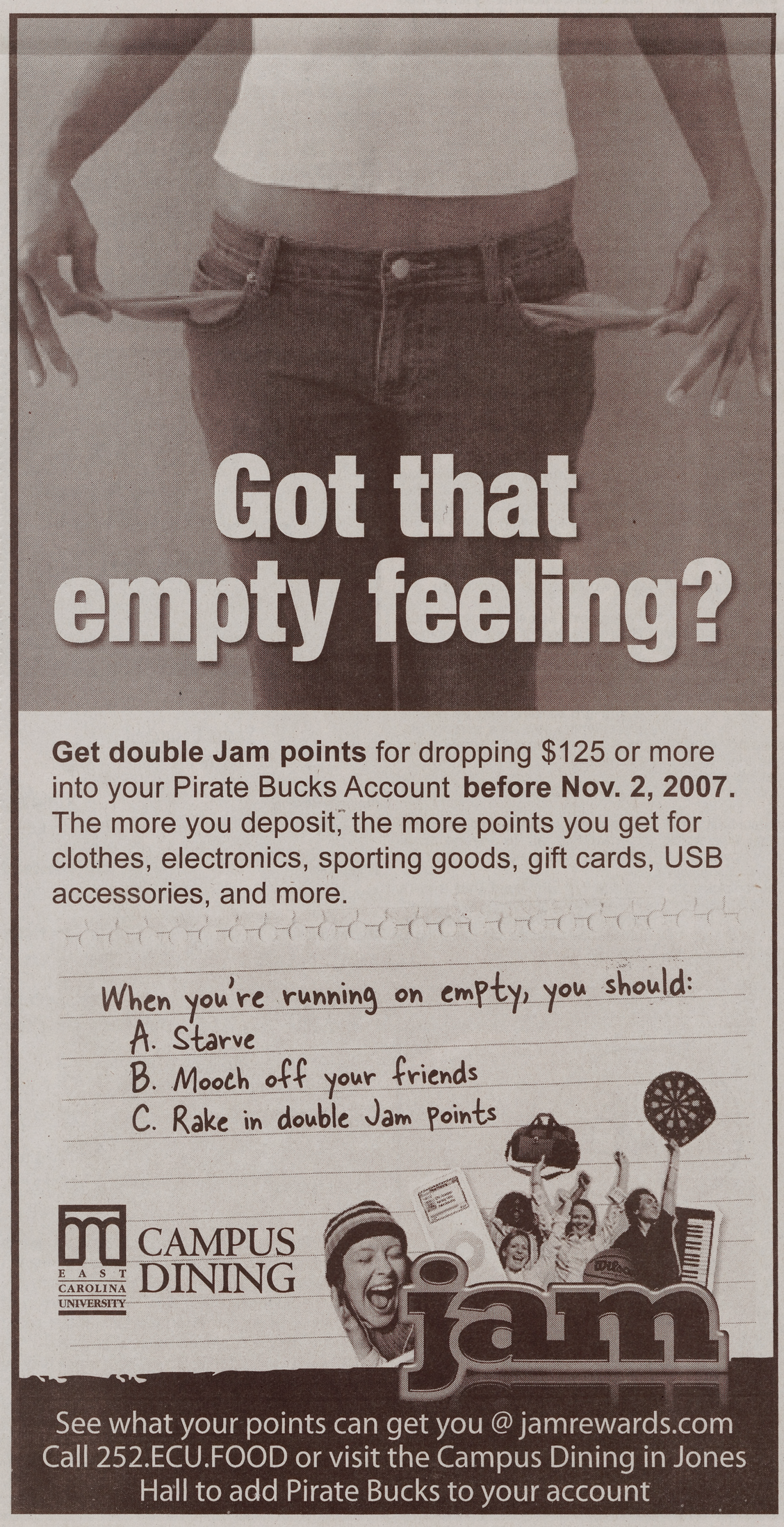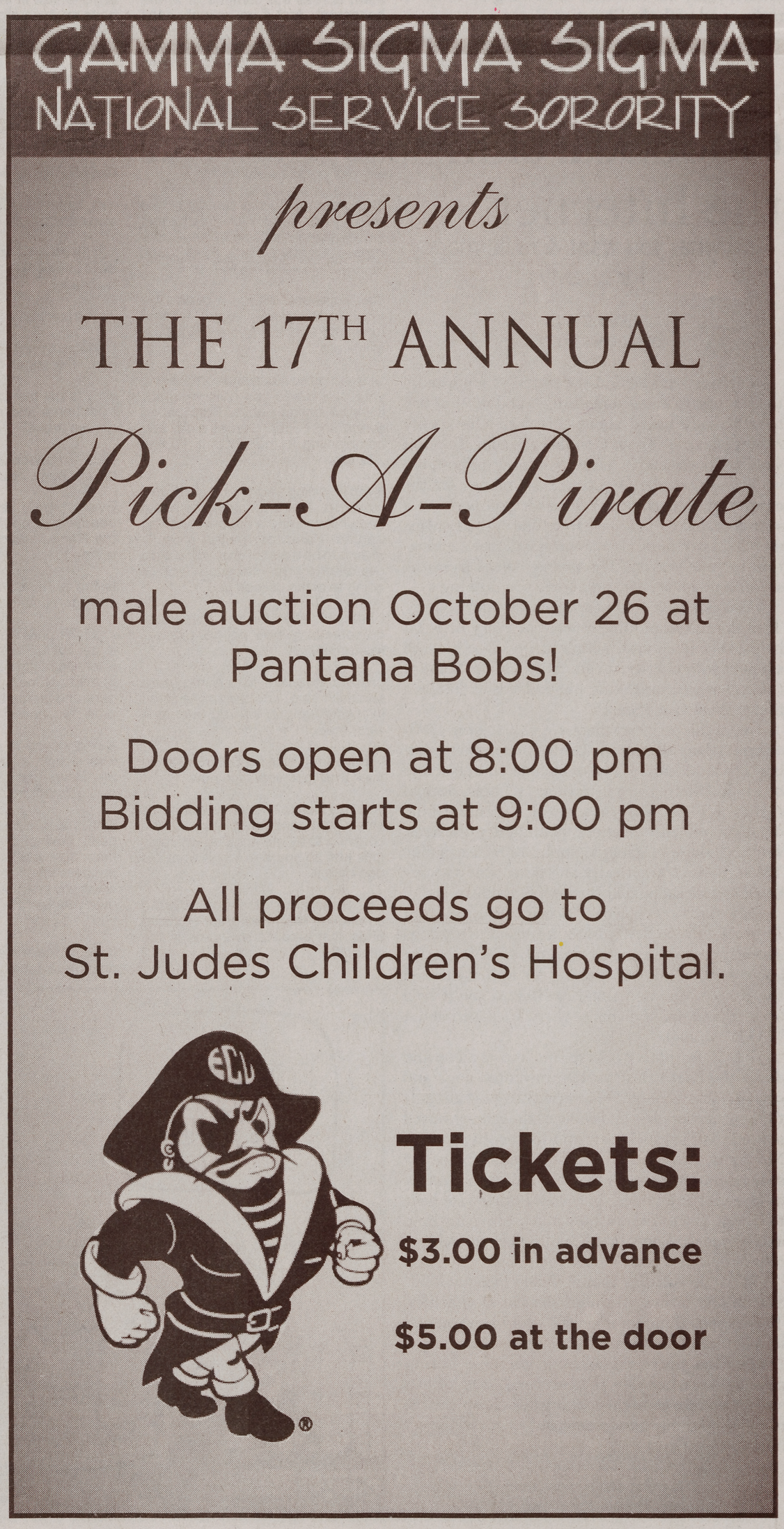
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