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## Clinton campaigns in Kinston

Democratic presidential candidate tells crowd 'trickle down' has to go

By Jeff Becker  
News Editor

Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton forged the rain in Kinston Sunday night and told supporters that President George Bush's trickle-down economic policies are not like the rain, the benefits do not trickle down.

"I'm sorry it is raining, but we've had 12 years of trickle-down," Clinton said. "If you give me 12 minutes, we can turn this country around."

Clinton gave a 12 minute speech to a crowd of about 4,000 at Grainger Stadium, home of Kinston's minor league baseball team the Indians. The crowd braved the continuous rain and a two-hour delay to hear Clinton speak.

The Arkansas governor spoke at N.C. State University earlier in the day about the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Clinton's speech echoed the statements given by Democratic vice presidential candidate Al Gore who campaigned at ECU on Sept. 28.

Clinton blamed President George Bush for the first decline in private sector jobs in 50 years, a reduction in manufacturing, and for two-thirds of Americans working harder for less money.

"One in 10 Americans is on food stamps, and 100,000 Americans are losing their health insurance each month," Clinton said. "We want four more years' sounds more like a threat than a promise."

Clinton said the wealthiest 10 percent of Americans should pay more taxes instead of getting across-the-board tax cuts they receive under the Bush administration. He said although the richest Americans should pay more, they should also receive tax incentives for spending their money on modernizing America's factories and farms.

Clinton said the United States is the only advanced country that does not ensure that each high school graduate gets at least two years of additional training.

He said the United States can solve many of its problems by investing in education for more Americans.

"I have proposed to set up a national trust fund out of which any American can borrow money to go to college and then pay it back out of a small percentage of their income or by giving two years to their country here at home in a domestic Peace Corps to rebuild America," he said.

Clinton said both Democrats and Republicans say his health care plan will allow more people access to care at a lower cost.

"My health care plan will save the average family \$1,200 a year by the end of the decade and hundreds of billions of dollars a year in the private sector.... The Bush plan will leave 27 million people without health insurance and the cost will keep on going up, up."

Clinton also attacked Bush's double veto of the Family Leave bill. He said 72 nations have found it possible to give people time off from work when a baby is born or a family member becomes sick.

The rain was not the only surprise. A heckler briefly interrupted Clinton, who responded by asking the crowd to be polite.

"If George Bush comes here, I hope you go to his rally and not interrupt him," Clinton said. "Be polite and listen, and then vote for me."

Clinton warned the crowd to ignore negative campaigning from the Republican Party in the next 30 days. He said since Republicans hate to talk about their record and have no plans for the future, they will concentrate on mud-slinging.

"We voters lost four years ago," Clinton said. "Then it was their fault. If we going to sympathize with them, it will be our fault, and I don't think we are going to do it."

Clinton flew out of Kinston Sunday night for a two-day campaign stop in Florida.



Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton greets a wet crowd in Kinston on Sunday. More than 4,000 people waited two hours in the rain to hear Clinton speak.

## Clinton draws mixture of people

By Warren Sumner  
Staff Writer

Braving Sunday night's rain and freezing winds, an enthusiastic crowd of about 4,000 attended a rally at Kinston's Grainger stadium to hear Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton speak about his current campaign.

Despite the foul weather, spirits were high for the event as Democrats of every age, gender and color were electrified to see the presidential front runner in person. While waiting for Clinton to arrive, ECU

student Gentry Barnett sampled the free cuisine, provided by Kinston's own King's Barbecue, and talked about why she was part of the crowd.

"I want to know more about (Clinton)," she said. "You can tell a lot about what a person says by watching him talk, by his gestures." Barnett said she was still undecided on who she would support in November's election, but she was looking at Clinton as her most likely choice.

However, Mike and Deborah Hamill, a middle-class couple from Lenoir

County, had no reservations about choosing Clinton as their candidate. Mr. Hamill, a private investigator, said he believed in Clinton's policies and would definitely cast a Democratic vote. He said he was most impressed with Clinton's promise to change U.S. economic policies.

"Trickle down economics just doesn't work," he said. "Clinton will stop Bush's catering to the rich and start looking after the middle class." Hamill said due to Bush's economic performance he

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## Wiretapping trial begins

By Jeff Becker  
News Editor

The two former ECU employees indicted for illegal wiretapping at the university in 1990 pleaded innocent Monday to five counts each of federal wiretapping violations.

The defendants, John Burrus, former captain of investigations for Public Safety, and Teddy Roberson, former director of Telecommunications, are accused of tapping the phone of an ECU employee whom they suspected of illegal drug involvement.

Burrus and Roberson were arraigned on Monday in the Federal District courthouse in New Bern. According to the Federal Clerks Office, the jury will be selected today and the trial will start either this afternoon or Wednesday morning.

The trial comes almost two and one half years after the taps were placed on the ECU phone lines.

### The Tap

In May 1990, Burrus and Roberson tapped the phone of ECU employee Brooks Mills.

About six months after the wiretap, Public Safety Capt. Stanley Kittrell found transcripts of the recorded conversations on a computer floppy disk in the Pub-

lic Safety offices. Kittrell turned the transcripts over to the FBI on Nov. 6, 1990.

The university, the FBI and the State Auditor began separate investigations of the wiretapping incidents in November 1990. Of the three investigations, only the State Auditor's office has released its findings.

The Auditor's report stated that Roberson said he met with Burrus and Evan Midgette, assistant director of Human Resources, to discuss the possibility of recording Mills' phone conversations. Roberson said Burrus asked him: "One — Can you tap the employee's line? Two — How hard would it be? Three — Would the employee know that his phone was tapped?"

Both Burrus and Midgette said they did not remember the conversation.

According to the Auditor's report, Roberson installed a microphone on Mill's telephone and concealed the recorder in his desk drawer. After Roberson made the first tape, he gave the tape to Midgette. Midgette then took the recording to Public Safety Direc-

tor James DePuy.

Midgette said DePuy told him the information on the tape could be used in certain circumstances.

"I told (Midgette) that the information could not be used in a court of law, but did tell him that wiretapping was illegal," DePuy said in the State Auditor's interview.

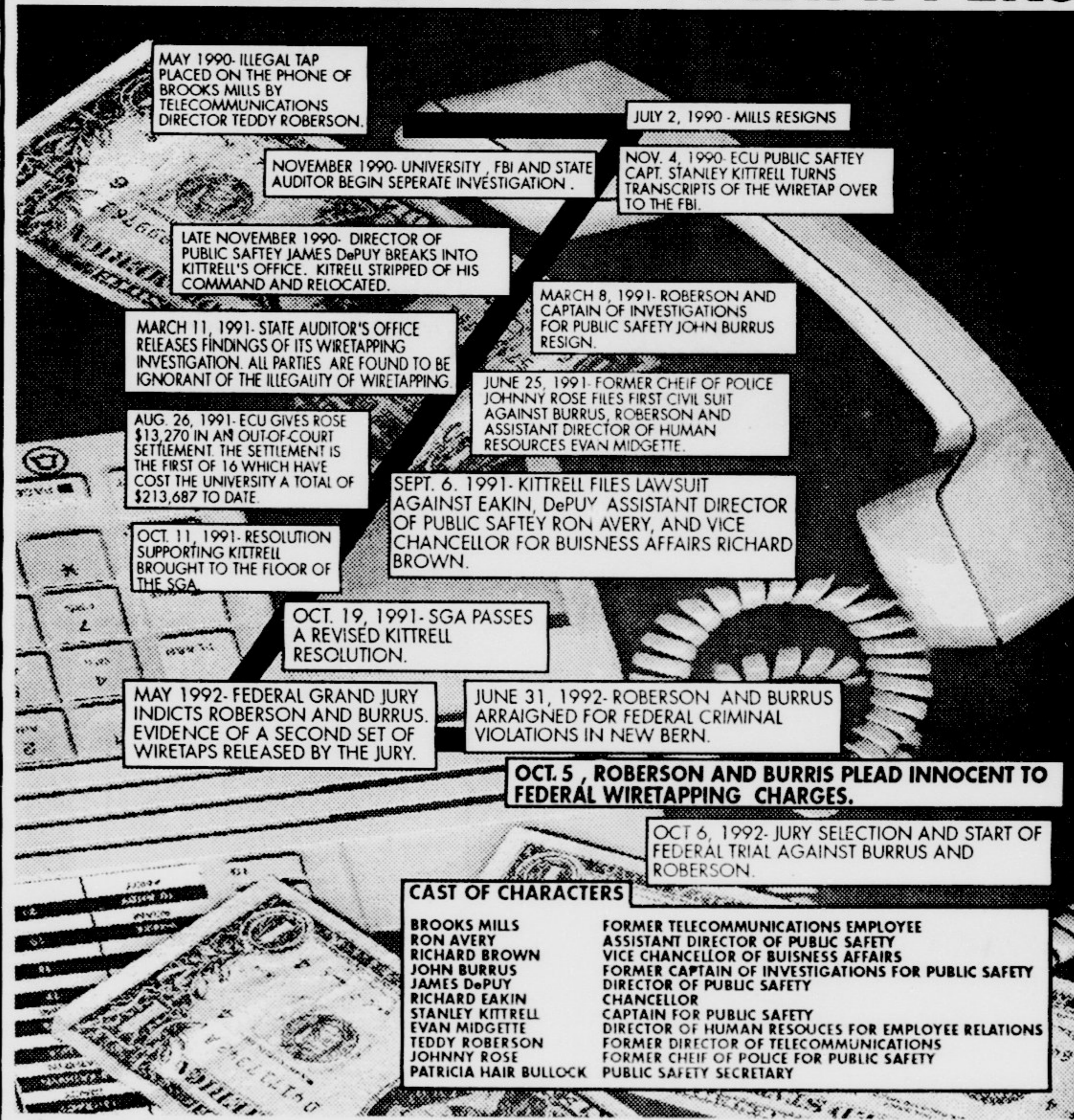
The number of tapes made after DePuy's notification is unclear. However, employees have indicated as many as three other tapes were made after DePuy was notified. The Federal Grand Jury indictment charged that Roberson made three tapes of Mills' conversations between May and June of 1990.

About the same time the investigations began, Roberson, Burrus, Midgette and DePuy held a meeting at an undisclosed doughnut shop. DePuy said the meeting was for them to get their "ducks in a row."

During the course of the investigations, key pieces of information turned up missing. Burrus

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## Wiretap

said he threw away his recordings of the wiretapped conversations and the transcripts of the tapes were missing. Notes taken by Midgett involving meetings with others were not where he said they were.

The Auditor's report stated that Roberson, Burrus, Midgett, and DePuy, Richard Brown, vice chancellor for Business Affairs, and Richard Farris, director of Human Resources, were involved or had knowledge of the wiretapping.

"The officials referred to... have stated that they were not aware that tapping employee's telephone conversations without the employee's knowledge was potentially illegal," the report stated.

According to University Attorney Ben Irons, ECU's internal investigation found that "no employee of the university acted with actual knowledge that he or she was violating the law."

According to sources, other ECU employees are expected to be indicted for federal wiretapping violations.

Both Roberson and Burrus resigned from their jobs at ECU on March 8, 1991. They each could serve a maximum of 23 years in prison if convicted on all five counts of wiretapping.

## Whistleblower

In September of 1991, Capt. Stanley Kittrell, the Public Safety officer who informed the FBI of the wiretapping, filed a lawsuit against the university alleging mistreatment.

After contacting the FBI of the wiretapping, university officials stripped Kittrell of his 42-officer staff, moved his office to a remote building across campus and demoted him from a plain-clothed officer to a uniformed one.

Public Safety Director James DePuy and Chancellor Richard Eakin said the changes in Kittrell's

duties resulted from a reorganization of Public Safety and his relocation stemmed from overcrowded conditions in the Public Safety offices.

North Carolina state law prohibits state agencies and employees from retaliating against state employees who report violations of laws to appropriate authorities.

Kittrell also said he was threatened by DePuy and Assistant Director of Public Safety Ron Avery.

After turning over the transcripts to the FBI, Kittrell took an administrative leave from work. When he returned, he discovered that DePuy had kicked in his office door. DePuy said he forcibly entered Kittrell's office because he heard water running.

At a Public Safety meeting, Kittrell said DePuy stared at him and said: "There are some people in this department at command level that are not real cops. They are liars, and I will hunt them down and take care of them."

Kittrell said Avery told him he should go to Pitt Memorial Hospital and apply for a job, suggesting he might be fired. Kittrell also said Avery told him "I plan on being here a long time, and, when I get you, it will stick."

On Nov. 4, 1991, The Pitt County court issued an injunction order to protect Kittrell from additional retaliation. In a sworn affidavit to the court, Joseph Calder, the director of Public Safety before DePuy, said DePuy told him "when this is over, Stan Kittrell will never be allowed to be a police officer in North Carolina again."

On campus, the Student Government Association passed a resolution in support of Kittrell on Jan. 13. The resolution, which passed 7-1, was a slightly watered-down version of a similar resolution that unanimously failed in October of 1991.

The passed resolution stated, "The SGA goes on the record in

support of Captain Kittrell and questions the soundness of any retaliation, if such has occurred against Captain Kittrell for his stand against unethical and illegal acts at our university."

The university awarded \$27,000 to Kittrell in an out-of-court settlement in July of 1992. Chancellor Eakin maintained that decisions concerning Kittrell's employment resulted from "legitimate administrative reasons."

"Despite our personal confidence in the university's defense, the uncertainties of litigation and the threat of treble damages led the university to agree to settle its differences with Mr. Kittrell out of court," Eakin said.

## Settlements

Under federal law, any person whose oral communication is intercepted over a phone line without consent is entitled to \$10,000 in punitive damages.

Former Public Safety Chief Johnny Rose filed a lawsuit against Midgett and Roberson in June 1991 for the illegal recording of his phone conversations. On behalf of the two ECU employees, the university reached an out-of-court settlement with Rose for \$13,270 on Aug. 26, 1991.

Since the Rose settlement, the university has doled out an additional \$200,417 in wiretapping

settlements to 15 other employees who unknowingly had their voice recorded. As many as 50 civil suits are still pending.

Settlements prevent litigants from filing additional claims against the university concerning wiretapping and admit no liabilities on the part of the university or its employees.

University Attorney Ben Irons said the administration decided to avoid trial and settle out-of-court to avoid expenses and end the disputes. He also said the university settled disputes against individuals because "no employee of the university acted with actual knowledge that he or she was violating the law."

At the request of Chancellor Eakin, the state Attorney General's Office has handled all civil suits brought against the university and its employees. However, the state will neither represent Roberson or Burrus in the federal trial nor in any further civil suits.

When asked why the Attorney General's Office was no longer representing the former employees, Deputy State Attorney Tom Ziko said, "We decided not to defend them," and would not elaborate.

In the trial, the Federal Public Defender's office will represent Roberson, and Greenville attorney Myron Hill will defend Burrus.

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# Fire safety promoted

By Shay Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Environmental Health and Safety Department is promoting National Fire Prevention this week on campus.

Today and Wednesday there will be a booth in Wright student store lobby. Thursday the booth will be in the hallway of Brody's Medical Building.

The Great Chicago Fire inspired Fire Prevention Week. In 1892, President Warren Harding proclaimed the week and the National Fire Prevention Association adopted the idea.

Today, people across the country hold demonstrations and presentations to promote fire awareness.

This educational effort to inform students on fire prevention includes pamphlets, a video, a chart on the history of ECU fires and another charted example of preventable tragedies that have occurred.

With the help of Greenville firefighter Bobby Jackson, students can receive education on fire ex-

tinguishers and detectors. They are also giving away a smoke detector.

Tom Pohlman, the staff development specialist of the environmental health and safety department, said the effort is to "try and provide an educational service because it is probably the first time students are having to worry about these kinds of things." Jackson said the presentation is for people to "learn not to burn".

As far as ECU's effort to prevent fires, there are more than 1,700 extinguishers on campus and water extinguishers are being replaced because of the danger of electric shock.

The Environmental Health and Safety Director, Herbert Oxendine, said any future excavations or renovations must include an extinguisher in every room because of new fire codes.

With this year's fire prevention theme being "Test your detector," sponsors hope to enforce fire safety in dormitories as well as homes. Pohlman calls the advice good sense because "fires won't wake you, a detector will."

# Clinton

felt the race "won't even be close" despite the recent entrance of Ross Perot. "Perot's a nit-wit," he said. "He won't even matter."

Hamill's wife, Deborah, a school teacher at Kinston's Falkland Elementary school, said she is excited about the changes Clinton will make to her profession.

"Clinton will take better care of children," she said. "He's going to improve America's educational system and provide child care for working mothers."

Clinton's 12-minute speech, an exciting oration about change and energizing the young to vote, caused several college students in attendance to be hopeful of his election.

Melissa Coughlin, another ECU student, said she was "trying

to support a change." She said she agreed with Clinton's pro-choice stand on abortion and felt the Clinton/Gore ticket was more in touch with her generation. Coughlin said she hoped that, if elected, Clinton and Gore would bring about "some sort of radical

change."

Not all of the students in attendance were particularly politically conscious, however. Greg Tirrell, a student employee of WZMB radio, said he was in attendance not for Clinton's speech but for the free food.

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# Cows threaten environment

By Karen Hassell  
Staff Writer

The Second Annual Eastern Carolina Environmental Conference educated local public and private officials on recent environmental regulations with guidelines for compliance.

The conference, held Oct. 1-2 at the Greenville Hilton Inn, instructed representatives from the private and public sectors on the regulations governing air, ground water, wetlands, solid and hazardous wastes and the penalties for violating regulations.

Fed by the Beyond Beef movement, accusations that the cattle industry threatens the environment, human health and the world food supply are becoming widespread.

"Cows have replaced Communism as the greatest disaster to humans today," said Janice Faulkner, director of the ECU Regional Development Institute. "What we have is an udder disaster."

Faulkner spoke to about 125 people during the luncheon session on Thursday.

Researchers at Washington State University have been granted \$30,000 to study the amount of methane gas emitted into the air by cows, Faulkner said.

"Cows are the point source of nearly 20 percent of methane emissions into the atmosphere, third after rice paddies and the second ranking natural wetlands," Faulkner said. "Why are we trying to save the wetlands, which are the second ranking offender, while we are trying to get rid of the cows, which are only a poor third. I really like cows."

Faulkner discussed the politics of the sharking business in the United States.

In 1985, the government urged commercial fishermen to spend up to \$250,000 to acquire and outfit vessels suitable to catch sharks.

After seven years of controversy over the practice of sharking, the federal government is now urging those same fishermen to get out of the business. However, the government does not have adequate scientific evidence to confirm the practice causes harm to the species.

On Friday, ECU geologist

Stan Riggs addressed the luncheon session. He directed his attention toward North Carolina's estuaries.

An estuary is the mouth of a river that is subject to tides. It is formed because of the tendency of most major rivers to cut their valleys to sea level. Estuaries contain a mixture of fresh water from the river and salt water from the ocean.

"The very nature of the economic growth in our society adversely impacts the system in which we live," Riggs said.

We must discover how we can continue to grow economically and maintain a resource that is very important to our economies, he said.

Estuaries are not the fragile systems the public is led to believe.

"They have been here for thousands of years and they are characterized by change," Riggs said. "Organisms have to be tough."

"This is really not a fragile system at all, it's a damn tough system. It's one of the toughest ecosystems on the face of the earth."

Eastern North Carolina has around 4,000 miles of estuarine shoreline. Due to the rising sea level, the shoreline is eroding at a

rate of 3 to 5 feet per year. "Erosion is a fact of life," Riggs said.

The conference, sponsored by ECU center for Applied Technology and the Pitt-Greenville Chamber of Commerce, was designed to help participants understand environmental management rules and to avoid costly violations.

Mayor Nancy Jenkins and ECU Chancellor Richard Eakin gave welcoming remarks at 9 a.m. on Thursday.

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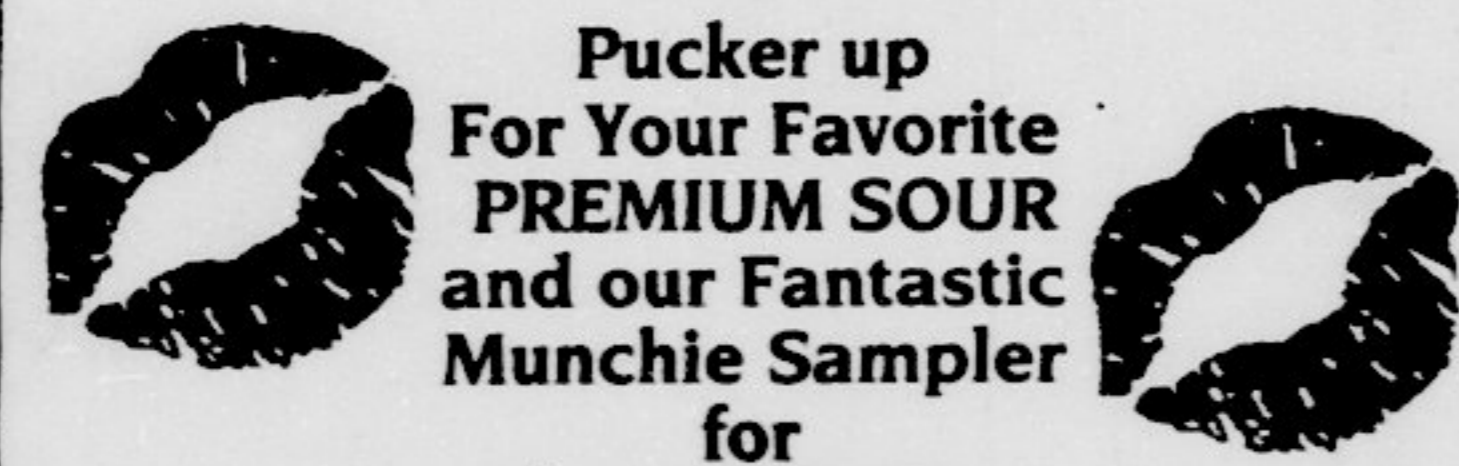
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Wear These Ribbons The Week Of Oct. 5-9

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## Perot back on the attack of voters

He's back. Yes, the man without a plan or a platform has thrown his proverbial hat back into the ring. Ross Perot has re-entered the presidential election. And not a moment too soon.

Perot's re-entry occurs at a very opportune time for him. Because he has stepped back into the spotlight and the race within 30 working days of election day, Perot will not have to declare how much he is spending on his campaign. How convenient!

It is convenient since billionaire Perot has numerous TV spots ready to roll, at a cost of who-knows-what. Perot can spend whatever he likes to try and get elected and no one except his accountant need ever know how much he spends.

But beyond Perot's extravagant spending habits, there is another issue that is more important for the American voter. In an interview with Barbara Walters Friday night, Perot said his economic plan includes an increase in gas taxes and other "various taxes" that will help decrease the national deficit. When Walters asked him if he thought the American people would mind the tax hike, Perot smiled and said, "No, absolutely not." With a raise of his eyebrows, Walters asked him to explain his thinking.

"I know the American voters," Perot said. "And they've said to me, 'Ross, we're willing to sacrifice to get this country out of

debt.' And they will go along with this increase. We all have to suffer a little if we want this country to get back on its feet."

Perot must have some far-reaching ears to have heard every American voter. To be sure, there are many American voters who don't want a billionaire like Ross Perot taking the economic reigns of this country and raising their taxes at will. Perot's campaign spending will probably be through the roof (we'll never know) so why should the American people trust such a spendthrift with their money?

Perot wants you to believe that he is the lesser of the three evils in the presidential race. In fact, he wants you to believe that he's not an evil at all, but rather the best man for the job.

But how can he be the best man when he seemingly can't even make up his mind whether or not he really wants to run? What if the American people elected Ross Perot, then suddenly in about mid-1994, he decided he'd rather not be president? Then the country would be left to whoever Perot has chosen as a running mate.

Perot wants to be everyone's favorite. He thinks he is a viable alternative to Bill Clinton and George Bush. He thinks he can run this country, and make it better. He also thought he wanted to run for president, then changed his mind, then changed it back again. What makes the American voter think he won't change his mind again?

By Joe Horst

JOE OF ALL TRADES

## Dating game filled with lies and deceit

Yes, you, Mr. Smith, you have won an all-expense paid trip to that exciting land and world that is called dating.

You will have the unequalled pleasure and privilege of opening yourself up to rejection, laughter, pain, sorrow and that all-knowing phrase, "I just want to be friends."

You and the lady of your choice will be driven as our guests to the eating establishment of your choice (good luck in trying to find one with good atmosphere that's inexpensive also). We will also provide you with a list of establishments that you can take your date to after dinner, not knowing whether or not she will think your choice is weird and off-the-wall, or course. But wait, there's more.

If you call now, at our toll-free number, 1-800-WHY-DATE, you will receive the free set of Ginzu knives. They slice, they dice, but do they cut? With this wonderful parting gift, you can impress dates that you might actually take back to your not-so-humble abode.

Don Pardo, tell him how to enter.

• Romance, how bitter that taste be.

Yeah, yeah, I know — "Another column from some sexually frustrated nerd who can't get a date." Ah ha, think again. Now I'm not saying that I'm the best-looking guy in the world, but I think I'm above average. And I even go out on dates with some regularity (Imagine that). But my beef is with this inane way that dating happens and the vast amount of bullshit that goes along

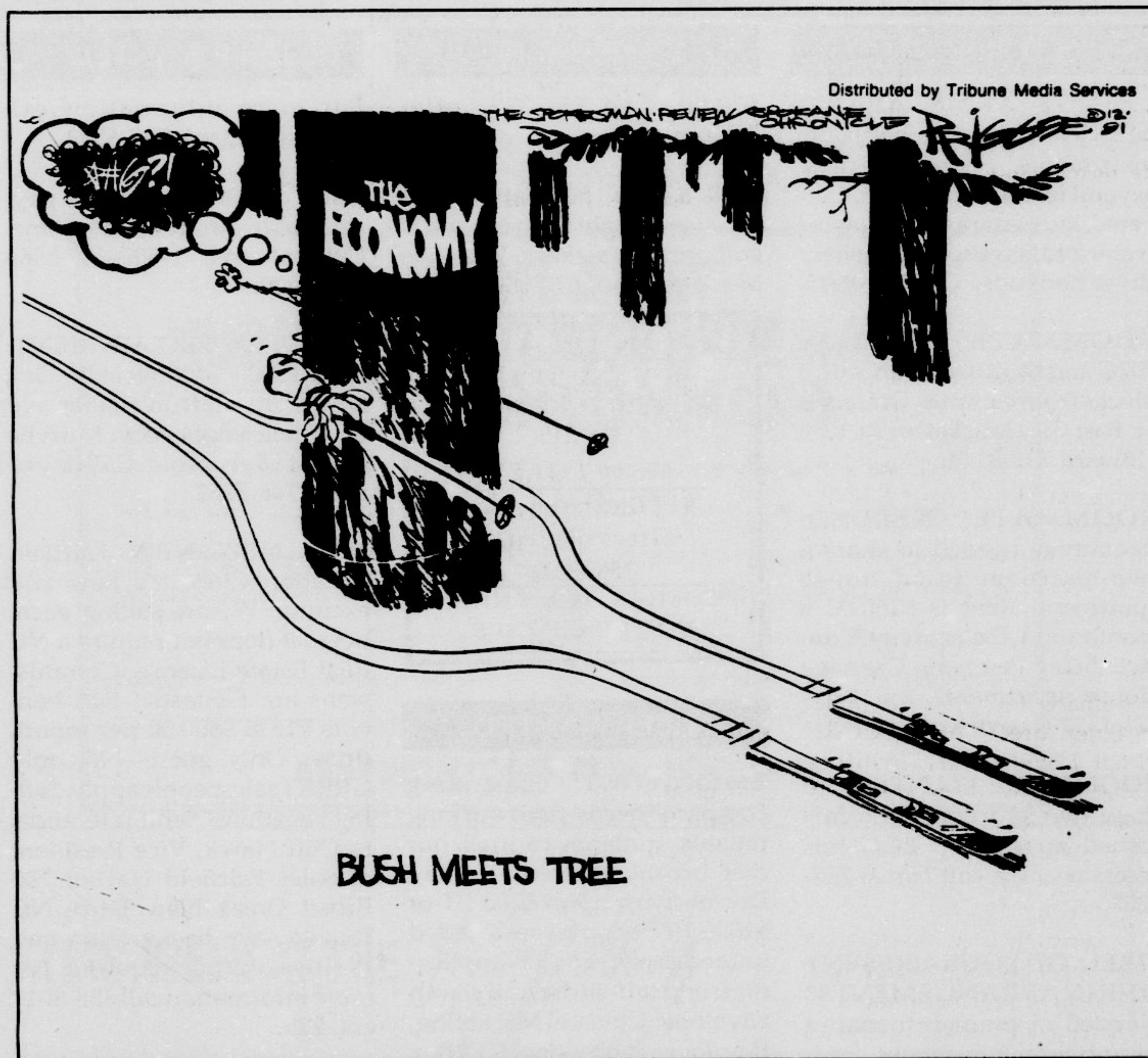
with it.

Where is it written (or is it written anywhere?) that men and women have to lie to each other in order to impress the other one? I mean, whenever you hear a friend bitch about there not being any decent guys (or girls, for that matter) anywhere, doesn't the phrase "Honesty is the best policy" always pop up somewhere in that conversation? If that's the truth, then why do people always get caught in lies so often? And why do people continue to lie even after they get caught? Ah, the mind works in mysterious ways.

Another gripe I have (being a male) is the mass mind-reading that women think men are capable of. It seems like a game that is played (maybe Blind Man's Bluff? or Pin the Tail on the Donkey?) and the winner is the guy who comes the closest to figuring out what the woman wants or doesn't want. But if the guy is wrong by even a millimeter, than watch out. There's truth to that old saying of "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

On the flip side (or female side), guys can look you straight in the eye and lie like a dog. Even when caught, some of them may still cop an innocent, puppy-eyed look and say "Who me?" And the ratio of lines to truth can sometimes be staggering. Ladies, if you think that a man is giving you a line, chances are (and sometimes it isn't one, mind you) that he is. Hell, he may not even know he is — he may actually believe it himself.

• Just some food for thought.



A SIDEWARDS GLANCE

By David J. Jones

## Involvement is key to success in college

Get involved. Scares the hell out of you doesn't it? Ask someone to get involved and they will almost always hedge or beat around the bush, but never give you a solid answer.

Now that I have said this, let me tell you why I said it. Those of you that read the paper with any degree of regularity will remember a few weeks ago when I wrote an article entitled *We need a New SGA President*. That article got a grand total of two written responses. No, I'm not kidding. I write an article calling for new SGA elections, something that will change the whole makeup of student government at ECU, and I get two responses.

One of the letters wasn't even from a student at this college. You remember last Thursday's letter from Mr. Patrick S. Wooden, don't you? Even though Wooden was obviously biased towards one of the people that I was speaking out against (Mark Bibbs) and privy to information that wasn't available to me at the time (because I had already graduated), at least he wrote in with his opinion. Never mind the fact that the Chapel Hill story had nothing to do with what the main point of my article was about, at least he wrote in.

The only other letter came

from Lisa Berting, SGA secretary. When I read her letter, I still did not feel that the actual thrust of my article was being addressed, but that's okay. At least she wrote in and expressed her opinion.

Based on Wooden's and Berting's input I decided that my article may have been written in such a manner that my points were easily confused. This, of course, makes it as much my fault as the reader's fault.

In an effort to solve this problem, I took Berting's advice. First, I went to the SGA's offices and signed on. I figured I'll get to make my voice heard in student government and I'll have an inside line on what is going on here at ECU. The second thing I did was go to Courtney Jones' office and speak to her concerning my article. At first, the meeting was an awkward one. However, very shortly we soon broke the ice and discussed all sorts of current topics.

The point here is that I would have never done any of these things if not for the input of others concerning this article. Yes, people, I really do read what you write and take it to heart. If you disagree with me, the more the better. There is no way in this whole world that everyone could possibly agree with everything that I have to say.

There are at least two sides to every story. I can only express one of them (usually) so I need others to write in and express the other sides (this is what makes people think, get it?)

Now then, before I end this little sermon on getting involved and making your voice heard, I have one other thing to say.

Did you know that there are over 70 positions available on the SGA? But that's nothing. Did you know that only about 20 of those 70 positions have been filled for this year?

No I'm not kidding. Nor am I exaggerating. 50 (plus or minus two or three) positions are currently available on this year's SGA council.

Folks, this is a ridiculous state of affairs. ECU has a record attendance year (17,400) and we can't fill all 70 positions in the SGA. Get your collective butts out of your rooms, march them down to Mendenhall, upstairs to the SGA offices and get involved. Sign your name down and make your voice heard.

And for crying out loud, write me here at the paper let me know how you feel.

For that matter, write all of us here; we want to know what our readers think.

Later.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Bill Clinton: savior of the American way

To the Editor:  
Next month, Americans will go to the polls to cast their ballots for president.

However, voters should have the knowledge necessary to make the best informed decision. Most Americans know George Bush's proposals, because they are the same recommendations he made in 1988.

To make an informed decision, Americans should also know Governor Bill Clinton's plans.

First, Clinton wants to put millions back to work through rebuilding the country's transportation system.

Also, Clinton will guarantee

health insurance to every American while continuing to let them decide who their individual doctor is.

Clinton plans to look for alternative sources of energy, particularly solar energy, to preserve our nations resources. As president, Clinton would insure a strong economy while not neglecting the environment.

To pay for these programs, he wants to raise taxes on those who make over \$200,000 a year and force foreign companies to pay their fair share of taxes by closing loopholes.

Then, he will allow every college student to borrow the money

needed for college. The money can be paid back as a small percentage of income after the student finds a job or chooses to work in their community at a reduced salary as a teacher, policeman, nurse, etc.

Finally, Clinton will guarantee a woman's right to choose whether or not to have an abortion.

In 1991, Clinton's fellow governors, Republicans and Democrats alike, named him "the most effective Governor in the nation."

I know Clinton's impressive record in Arkansas and trust him completely to make America a truly great nation again.

Jeff Odom

### Condoms are vital in the fight against AIDS

To the Editor:  
Who is this John Harris and what are his credentials for being a leading authority on AIDS? In the article "AIDS Myths Create Problems," (Oct. 1) your paper quoted this man as saying "I believe condoms are the biggest hoax with AIDS." What a load of bull!! It's that kind of irresponsible statement that hurts the fight against AIDS.

Granted, the AIDS virus is a very serious subject and should be

approached with facts and not speculations! With the statement Mr. Harris made, he pushed back the fight against AIDS 10 years. If students are his targeted group on his lecture tour, then he should get his facts straight. A majority of students are not abstaining from sex. This is a fact. Also a majority are not using condoms, another fact. Hence, the increase in the number of students infected with the AIDS virus. (Mr. Harris are you paying attention?) Fact: The

number of gay males using condoms has increased. Fact: The number of gay males infected with the AIDS virus has decreased! (Mr. Harris, Do you notice any correlation?) He should be promoting the use of condoms, not condemning them. Does Mr. Harris really have any regard for the health of today's student?

I don't think so.

L. Paige Rider  
Pre-Med

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## Classifieds

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FOR RENT	FOR SALE	HELP WANTED	HELP WANTED	PERSONALS	PERSONALS
<b>KINGS ARMS APARTMENTS</b> 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Energy-efficient, several locations in town. Carpeted, kitchen appliances, some water and sewer paid, washer/dryer hookups. Call 752-8915.	\$50.00. Call 757-3393 after 5:00pm.	For more information call Kathleen Shank 758-6892.	<b>CRUISE SHIPS NOW HIRING</b> - Earn \$2,000+/month + world travel (Hawaii, Mexico, the Caribbean, etc.) Holiday, Summer and Career employment available. No experience necessary. For employment program call 1-206-634-0468 ext. C5362.	Diane Jinkens, Cherie Montgomery, Julie Moore, Bryth Painter, Gina Pickens, Melissa Reading, Jenny Robbins, Kelly Scheele, Martie Smith, Charlene Stanley, Angela Stevenson, Beth Sullivan, Stacy Sutton, Ann Westerfield, Kara Williamson, Stacey Woods. We Love you! The Sisters of Gamma Sig.	ish, Josh Potenza, Eric Robinson, Mark Sipple, Adam Steinhaver, David Warren, Ben Weathers, Chris White and Doug Whitlock on becoming the Beta Omicron Pledge Class of Kappa Sigma. The Brothers.
<b>ROOMMATE NEEDED:</b> 707C 2nd St., 2 bedroom Apt. 3 blocks from campus. Off Jarvis St. Past City Market on Rt. Call Howard 752-8114.	<b>FOR SALE:</b> 50 Watt Onkyo receiver bought this year and is still under warranty. Will take best offer. Call 830-9301.	<b>EASY WORK!</b> Excellent pay! Assemble products at home. Call toll free. 1-800-467-5566 Ext. 5920.	<b>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST,</b> Pitt County Schools. State of North Carolina benefit package. Choice of 10 months or 11 months of employment. NC License to practice OT required. Salary \$2477.50/month. Contact Pitt County Schools by Oct. 16 1717 West Fifth Street, Greenville, NC 27834, (919) 830-4242. AA/EOE.	<b>DRIVING FROM TO DURHAM/CHAPEL HILL</b> on weekends: I need transportation for my son to and from Chapel Hill. Will pay \$20.00 roundtrip. 942-6509.	<b>WE KNOW IT'S LATE</b> but thanks Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Xi Delta and Chi Omega for you help during rush! The brothers of Kappa Sigma.
<b>ROOMMATE NEEDED:</b> Roommate needed to share a two-bedroom town house apartment. Rent is \$160.00 a month and 1/2 electricity. Contact: Stacy Peterson-Carriage House Apartments, Apt. #60-321-1532 (Leave a message.)	<b>BOOKTRADER</b> BUY AND TRADE PAPERBACK BOOKS OVER 50,000 TITLES 919 Dickinson Ave. Greenville, NC 758-6909 COMICS OLD & NEW NOW! USED CD'S	<b>ADULT ENTERTAINMENT:</b> Earn \$300 - \$400 weekly. Day and night shift available. No experience necessary. Must be at least 18 years old. Call day or night 746-6762.	<b>LOST AND FOUND</b> <b>PRECIOUS LONG HAired</b> black cat lost in Hospital area. Named "Maggie". REWARD. Call 752-9930.	<b>KAREN</b> - We suspected you had no fear, and now you're Miss Belk of the year! You have so much fun with the opposite sex, it must be your wonderful FLEX! Happy Birthday! Love ya - Your Suitmates.	<b>ATTENTION:</b> Alpha Xi Delta, Ox Box, Mother Nature and Celebrating our awesome pledge class was a night to remember. Thanks for a great Pref night. Love the Brothers and Pledges of Kappa Sigma.
<b>ROOMMATE WANTED:</b> To share two bedroom fully furnished apartment. ECU bus access near by. call Tim at 758-5207.	<b>EMERGENCY!</b> Expanding company needs hardworking reliable students to mail our diet brochures from Home/Dorm! Earn up to \$200 PT or \$1000 FT! Employees needed immediately! For job application send self-addressed stamp envelope: Colossal Marketing, Employee Processing, P.O. Box 291140 Port Orange, FL 32129.	<b>NEW...NEW...NEW</b> Fairfield Vacation Club, it's new and exciting! We are selling vacations, it does not require a NC Real Estate License. Commissions are Fantastic! Full benefits PLUS \$800.00 per month draw. Only good—No, only GREAT salespeople apply. Selling vacations. Send references to Cliff Hawk, Vice President of Sales Fairfield Harbor 750 Broad Creek New Bern, NC Proven sales background and Positive attitude required. For more information call 638-8011 ext. 225.	<b>SERVICES OFFERED</b> <b>TYPING:</b> Error free, quick and dependable at reasonable cost. Excellent typing and proof-reading skills (grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, etc.). Call Pauline at 757-3693.	<b>BONNIE HISER:</b> Just want to tell you to keep hanging on. The BIG SIS Hunt will be lots of fun! A few more days and then you will know - who YS is as the clues all unfold.	<b>ALPHA SIGMA PHI PLEDGES:</b> Congrats to Marty Eide, Mike Noland, Brian Burns, Brad Hecox, Sam Chambers, Peter Zehr, David Burnette, Ben Spear, Scott Agnew, Joe Givia, Reid Tingle and Wes Craft. Stick with it.
<b>TIRED OF YOUR PRESENT LIVING ARRANGEMENTS?</b> We need a roommate to share a large house two blocks from campus. Large bedroom available in a big house. Lots of living space. \$144 month plus utilities. call 830-3882 for more information.	<b>"HELP WANTED" EARN \$1,500 WEEKLY</b> mailing our circulars!... Begin now!... FREE packet! SEYS, Dept. 164, Box 4000, Cordova, 38018-4000.	<b>POSTAL JOBS AVAILABLE!</b> Many positions. Great benefits. Call 1-800-333-3737 ext. P-3712.	<b>GREEKS &amp; CLUBS</b> <b>RAISE A COOL \$1000 IN JUST ONE WEEK!</b> PLUS \$1000 FOR THE MEMBER WHO CALLS! No obligation. No cost. You also get a FREE HEADPHONE RADIO just for calling 1-800-932-0528, Ext. 65	<b>JULIE FISHER:</b> I'm so excited to have you as my little sister. Big Sis Hunt is going to be a blast. Guess, guess all you can, but you'll never guess who I am.	<b>DELTA ZETA FLAG FOOTBALL TEAM</b> - You are doing Awesome! Keep it up! Love the sisters and pledges.
<b>DORM REFRIGERATORS</b> used, very good condition. \$50.00. Warsaw Pawn, Warsaw, NC (919) 293-4040.	<b>GUARANTEED WORK AVAILABLE</b> Excellent pay for EASY home based work. Full/part-time. Rush self-addressed stamped envelope: Publishers (G2) 1821 Hillandale Rd. 1B-295 Durham, NC 27705	<b>COURIER TO WORK PART-TIME</b> for busy medical practice. Make deliveries, run errands, do filing, applicants must be able to work 1-5pm Monday-Friday and have a good driving record along with reliable transportation. Interested applications should send their resume or make application at Pitt Surgical, P.A. 905 Johns Hopkins Drive, Greenville, NC 27834.	<b>TEC volleyball</b> Mike Albuquerque: It's amazing how the person who sets up an event is one of the people who doesn't even show up to it. How are you gonna explain this one, Dark Knight?	<b>JENNY KULA</b> - Only 2 more days!!! AAHH! Rest up! Love, YBS.	<b>ALPHA SIG-</b> Thanks for the hoedown Thursday night! It's always fun to put our boots on for you! Looking forward to #3 next year! Love, Delta Zeta.
<b>GOVERNMENT SIEZED CARS,</b> trucks, boats, 4wheeler, motorhomes, by FBI, IRS, DEA. Available your area now. call 1-800-333-3737 ext. C-5999.	<b>\$360/UP WEEKLY.</b> Mailing brochures! Spare/full-time. Set own hours! RUSH self-addressed stamped envelope: Publishers (G1) 1821 Hillandale Rd. 1B-295 Durham, NC 27705	<b>TUPPERWARE CONSULTANT:</b> BONUS for joining between Sept. 21 and Oct. 17. Work your own hours! Contact Joanie 752-0307 for details!	<b>PERSONALS</b> <b>CONGRATULAIONS</b> to the Gamma Pledge class of Gamma Sigma Sigma, Fall 1992: Missy Bahnick, Darcy Beasley, Cindy Briley, Amy Byrd, Jenni Campbell, Peggy Chandler, Kristie Daly, Candy Faircloth, Alyssa Fountain, Katie Gaddy, Randi Gibbons, Kimberly Goodin, Amy Howell, Mary Hubley, Cindy Hutchinson,	<b>RUSH DELTA DAN!</b> For more info. call Dan or Richard at 757-1082!	<b>HOPE EVERYONE</b> had a blast at the DZ Stranger Mixer! It certainly was interesting!
<b>1989 CAVALIER</b> white, excellent condition, 33,000 mile \$4800 756-9394 after 6pm.	<b>WORK AT HOME:</b> Assembly, craft, typing and more! Up to \$500.00 + a week possible. For information write Source; 1840-D Simonton Road, Dept. 9108, Statesville, NC 28677.	<b>WANTED: PART TIME VAN DRIVER.</b> For local paratransit agency. Perfect for college students and anyone desiring part time work. Some early morning and afternoon hours as well as mid day. Duties include operation of vehicle and assistance of elderly, handicapped and disadvantaged passengers. Expect positive attitude and good working history and good driving record. If interested apply in person, at CTS Management Company, 901 Stanton Blvd., Greenville, NC 27858. (EAO) Call 830-1939.	<b>RESEARCH INFORMATION</b> Largest Library of Information in U.S. all subjects Order Catalog Today with Visa/MC or COD TOLL FREE 800-351-0222 In call 219-477-8228 Or, rush \$2.00 to: Research Information 11322 Idaho Ave. #205-A, Los Angeles, CA 90025	<b>RON, Happy 8 months,</b> I'm so glad we made it. Maybe now Lynn will get the hint, Frankie and Johnny is over. It was never a secret, and neither is our love and trust (get the hint!) I love you!	<b>THEAT CHI,</b> Looking forward to seeing you Thursday night! Don't forget your Sombrero!! Love, Tri Sigma.
<b>KING SIZE WATERBED</b> for sale \$125.00! Contact 758-8006 ask for Joe!	<b>ATTENTION! EARN \$2500/Free Trip!</b> Students, Greeks, Clubs earn free Spring Break trip after selling only 8 trips at your school! Spring Break 1-800-678-6386.	<b>CHICK-FIL-A</b> at Carolina East Mall is looking for enthusiastic, hardworking people. We offer flexible hours and good benefits. Stop by Chick-Fil-A at Carolina East Mall M-F or call for appointment at 756-1838. Ask for Abbott.	<b>PERSONALS</b> <b>CONGRATULATIONS</b> to the Gamma Pledge class of Gamma Sigma Sigma, Fall 1992: Missy Bahnick, Darcy Beasley, Cindy Briley, Amy Byrd, Jenni Campbell, Peggy Chandler, Kristie Daly, Candy Faircloth, Alyssa Fountain, Katie Gaddy, Randi Gibbons, Kimberly Goodin, Amy Howell, Mary Hubley, Cindy Hutchinson,	<b>BINGO!!!</b> to Lisa, Spiro, Heavy, Christine, Jill and all of the other Alpha Omicron Pi's who took Boli's by storm Thurs. Night, stamper and all. By the way, who has the proverbial dollar? Also, special thanks to Joyce for all of her Bingo advice! Candida - You made us proud!	<b>KAPPA SIGMA,</b> The scavenger hunt was a blast, but now what do we do with all this stuff!!! You guys are one of a kind. Thanks again, Love the Sigmas.
<b>TWIN BED:</b> mattress, boxspring and frame. \$100.00. Call 756-3235.	<b>CAMPUS REPS WANTED!</b> Quality vacations to exotic destinations! Sell Spring Break packages to Jamaica, Cancun, Bahamas, Florida. Fastest way to free travel and extra \$\$\$\$. Call Sun Splash Tours 1-800-426-7710.	<b>WANTED: PART TIME VAN DRIVER.</b> For local paratransit agency. Perfect for college students and anyone desiring part time work. Some early morning and afternoon hours as well as mid day. Duties include operation of vehicle and assistance of elderly, handicapped and disadvantaged passengers. Expect positive attitude and good working history and good driving record. If interested apply in person, at CTS Management Company, 901 Stanton Blvd., Greenville, NC 27858. (EAO) Call 830-1939.	<b>PERSONALS</b> <b>CONGRATULATIONS</b> to Tres Allen, Charlie Ashford, Kevin Brown, Keith Cambell, David Eckberg, Travis Fore, Darby Frank, Scott Freud, Brent Hair, Scott Hair, Rich Hill, Troy Jensen, Ryan Joyner, Ken Kreitsell, Richie Kroboth, Michael McGonigle, Darin Par-	<b>GO TO PITTSBURG</b> with the pirates! Student Pirate Club is sponsoring a trip to Pittsburgh to see ECU play for as little as \$99! Trip includes luxury bus ride, night at the Marriott, Ticket to game, Social, taxes and tips. Best deal in town. Call 757-4540 for more details. Seats are going fast so act soon. GO PIRATES!	<b>FLUSH DOOKIE!</b> See ECU kill Duke this Saturday! Plenty tickets still available. So call ECU ticket office - Durham is only an hour and a half away so BE THERE! GO PIRATES - Student Pirate Club.
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<b>DORM REFRIGERATORS:</b> By Sanyo. Excellent condition.				<b>TO "OWEN MEANY"</b> Reveal yourself!! The card was flattering and intriguing. Perhaps we can get acquainted—or should I say reacquainted—sometime soon.	<b>FLUSH DOOKIE!</b> See ECU kill Duke this Saturday! Plenty tickets still available. So call ECU ticket office - Durham is only an hour and a half away so BE THERE! GO PIRATES - Student Pirate Club.

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**BISEXUAL - GAY - LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP**  
Social support and activities. Meetings are closed. Call 757-6766 11:00 - 12:15 Tues. and Thurs. or 1:00 - 2:30 Wed. for information on meeting time and place.

**CAMPUS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
Looking for a fellowship of Christians, a place to pray, study God's word, be involved in social and service projects? Need a refuge from time to time? Campus Christian Fellowship may be what you are looking for. Our weekly meetings are at 7pm Wednesdays at our Campus House located at 200 E. 8th St., directly across from Cotanche St. from Mendenhall Student Center. Everyone is welcome. For more information, Call Tim Turner, Campus Minister at 752-7199.

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**  
Deadline for Art, Poetry, Prose Competition for the Rebel '93 is November 4, 1992. Rules and regulations can be picked up in the Art Building Media Center, English Dept. Main Desk and Rebel Offices in the Publications Building. All students are eligible. Cash prizes.

**RECREATIONAL SERVICES**  
A "Disc"et. A basket. Recreational services will be offering a Disc Golf Accuracy contest on Tues., Oct. 6, at 3:00pm at the Frisbee Disc course. So shine up those frisbees and don't miss the fun! For more information Call 757-6387.

**UNIVERSITY STUDENT MARSHAL**  
Any student interested in

serving as a University Marshal for the 1992-93 commencement exercises may obtain an application from A-12 Minges. Student must be classified as a Junior by the end of Spring Semester 1992 and have a 3.0 academic average to be eligible. Return completed application to A-12 Minges by October 15.

**ATTENTION JEWISH STUDENTS**  
Yom Kippur services Tues. Oct. 6:30pm Wed. 9:00am and 5:30pm. At Bayt Shalom - New locations Hwy 33 E 3 miles toward Grimesland.

**SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MANAGEMENT**  
On Tues. Oct. 7, there will be a speaker. Meeting in GC#1028 at 4pm. Mr. Joe Gantz, President of Empire Brush will be the guest speaker. All business

majors are invited to attend.

**AED MEMBERS**  
Our next meeting will be Tues. Oct. 6, 1992 at 7:00pm in Flanagan 302. Those pledging AED will need to meet at 6:30pm. The pledge meeting is mandatory! Our speaker will be Mrs. Ethel Mason, Administrator of Volunteer Services. Our Chapter hopes to do volunteer projects. So everyone needs to attend.

**P.U.S.H. THROUGH THE BARRIERS**  
If you would like to work towards reducing the architectural, as well as the attitudinal barriers that students with special needs are faced with every day, then come to the next meeting of P.U.S.H. (People United to Support the Handicapped). The meeting will be 5:00-6:00 on Thurs. Oct. 8 in

Cotten Hall Lobby. We will be working on our plans for Homecoming. Come join the fun. Call 757-6180 for more info.

**GET READY**  
ECU Recreational Services is offering a Beach Horseback Riding trip. A pre-trip meeting will be held Wed October 7, at 5:00pm Brewster D-109. Take a break from studying and come out for the ride of your life! For more info call 757-6387.

**ISA**  
The International Association will meet today in Mendenhall room 212 at 5pm. Elections to select President, Vice-president, Treasurer and Secretary will be held. All who are interested are invited.

**PHI ETA SIGMA**  
A general meeting will be held on October 8 at 6:00pm for

all Phi Eta Sigma members. The meeting place will be at Fleming in the basement. Refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, please contact the Vice-President at 752-5792.

**STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE**  
Flu vaccine will be available at Student Health Service this Fall!! If you would like to receive the vaccine this Fall come by the Student Health Center (8am - 5pm) to sign up and pay for the vaccine. The cost is \$3.00. October 16th is the last day to sign up and to receive the vaccine. Vaccines will be administered October 19 through October 30.

**COPING WITH LOSS**  
Wed. from 2-3pm in 329 Wright Building. Call counseling Center at 757-6661.

## Watching TV with Luke Whisnant

By M. Chantal Weedman  
Staff Writer

Luke Whisnant loves writing. He loves teaching. With the publication of his first novel, *Watching TV with the Red Chinese*, he has proven that he can do both effectively. No wonder he's smiling.

And he is smiling, sitting in his office, reading D. H. Lawrence. He smiles when he talks about his novel. "It's a quirky book, isn't it?" Whisnant says. *Watching TV* is a story about Dexter "Dex" Mitchell and the three Chinese students who live across the hall from him in a run-down Cleveland apartment building.

The characters (Chen, Tzu, Wa and Dex) were born in Whisnant's mind in 1979, when he lived in an apartment building in St. Louis next to three Chinese students. Whisnant started writing the story during the winter of 1979. "Halfway through the first draft, I began to understand that the story was trying to be about communication and culture."

In May 1982, Whisnant published a short story version of the work in *Esquire*. Later, a writing teacher suggested to him that the characters in his story could be worthy of greater detail. Whisnant filed the thought away, and about four years ago began revising the story and putting it into the form of a novel.

"I felt that the characters had grown up in my mind, and I wanted to tell the rest of their story," says Whisnant.

The maturation of the characters was 10 years in coming, and Whisnant can't really explain why. "I wish I had a great story of love and heartbreak or deep dark tragedy or the manuscript burnt up in the house fire after the drug dealers shot my dog, but the truth is, I'm not sure what happened, really."

During that time, Whisnant was busy teaching and working on other projects, including two other novels. "I kept coming back to the Chinese," he says, remarking that he was pondering the changes and the transformation in American society.

"The more I thought about that transformation, the more I found myself wondering what it would be like to see it through the eyes of foreigners. Chen and Tzu were those eyes."

Although the story is told from Dexter's point of view, Whisnant is quick to point out that "the book really isn't about Dex, it's about Chen. Dex is what I call 'the hot character.' He is a means through which I tell the story of Chen."

Chen's story is one of amalgamation to the American way of life. As Chen discovers

the wonders of America (mostly through American TV), Dex discovers some of himself through the amazed eyes of his Chinese friends.

The story of Luke Whisnant is, at times, as interesting as the story of his novel. After completing his Bachelor's degree from ECU in 1979, Whisnant went on to Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. where he graduated with an M. F. A. in 1982.

With two degrees in hand, Whisnant listened as the Emerald City beckoned him to return. He answered the call, joining the English faculty in 1983.

Whisnant admits his first year back at ECU was a huge adjustment. "It was very weird that first year. I came back and I could call all the professors by their first names."

Making the adjustment from student to faculty member had many thrills for Whisnant. "The biggest thrill when I began teaching was going to the bookstore and seeing LUKE WHISNANT — my name — on the textbook tags," says Whisnant with a laugh.

In the nine years since then, Whisnant has completely adjusted to life on faculty. "It's not weird anymore — I like where I am now," Whisnant says of teaching.

His students seem to like where he is, too. His unique blend of conversation, commentary and critique make his writing classes popular.

"His classes have a very friendly approach," said a student in Whisnant's fiction writing class. "Every class is a tight-knit group. Writing is so personal that you need that kind of atmosphere."

And the personal approach is what students get when they take one of Whisnant's classes. The first day of class each semester, Whisnant walks into the room and immediately gets on a first-name basis with his students. "Hi folks. My name is Luke Whisnant. Please call me Luke. If anyone has a problem with that please speak up now. (no pause) OK too late. You'll call me Luke."

The reviews of his Whisnant's book have been very favorable. *Publisher's Weekly* says *Watching TV with the Red Chinese* "introduces Whisnant as a sort of Ford Maddox Ford of the MTV generation," and calls his work "[a] promising debut." *The Myrtle Beach Sun News* says, "It mirrors much of the rich texture of our society, our patchwork of ethnic diversity, our light-hearted antics, our quirks, our glories, our sorrows, our empathy and our lack of empathy."

Whisnant is happy with the reviews, but doesn't dwell on the success of his book. He has

### Check it out

Luke Whisnant will read excerpts from *Watching TV with the Red Chinese* at The Upper Crust Bakery, Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 8 p.m. Whisnant will be joined by fellow faculty member Pat Bizzaro, who will read poetry.



Photo by Kip Sloan

Luke Whisnant

already begun work on another novel and he stays busy teaching.

And as if writing a novel and teaching was not enough, Whisnant enjoys an occasional downtown performance with the band MJ & Frenz.

He plays guitar with Mark Johnson and, well, other "frenz." Whisnant even treats the audience to an occasional vocal or two. But he has no wish to go beyond the downtown Greenville crowd. He smiles when he talks about his life.

"One of the guys in the band once said to me, 'God, Luke, wouldn't it be great to play with the band all the time? We could be famous.'"

"I told him I really don't want to be famous. I like my life just the way it is."

(*Watching TV with the Red Chinese* is available at Student Stores. It is published by Algonquin Books and sells for \$17.95.)

## ECU professor explores black women writers

By Bobbi Perfetti  
Staff Writer

In her new book, *Binding Cultures: Black Women Writers in Africa and the Diaspora*, Gay Wilentz writes critical essays on six black women writers.

Included in her book are aspects of how culture is passed and the connection between African and American culture.

Of the six writers in this book, three are from Africa (Flora Nwapa; Nigeria, Efua Sutherland; Ghana, Ama Ata Aidoo; Ghana). The remaining three are from the United States (Alice Walker, Toni Morrison, Paule Marshall).

By looking at all six literary works Wilentz points out that women are the ones who pass on culture and traditions.

"Women, in the homes, have been the ones who have basically imparted the culture. Women tell folk tales to teach children how to behave, basically, as a child growing up."

"I started to notice a lot of connections between West Africa, where I had been a Peace Corps volunteer, and parts of the South."

Wilentz brings out this "connection" in her book by comparing the three African writers to the three African-American writers. She feels that it is important for everyone to know his or her heritage.

"The only thing they [the enslaved Africans] could carry with them was their culture."

These cultural aspects of Africans were influenced into the American culture and often slave women were the ones who told the stories. This has formed the Diaspora, which can be defined as "a forced dispersion; people who were forced out of their homeland for many different reasons and forced into exile." This includes all the cultural retention from their home land.

There are several things that Wilentz wants people to get out of her book. She feels it is very important for all Americans to look at the African heritage and realize that it is part of American heritage as well. She wants "people who are reading these books (such as *The Color Purple* and *Song of Solomon*) to realize it's coming out of a tradition that has an African base."

Finally, Wilentz wants people to begin reading the African writers. She feels that there is much talent coming from Africa that is being overlooked.

"It seemed like a good idea at the time," is how Gay Wilentz, a native of New York, felt about the Peace Corps. It was here that she taught at one of the colleges in Sierra Leone, West Africa and where her interest in African writers and culture developed.

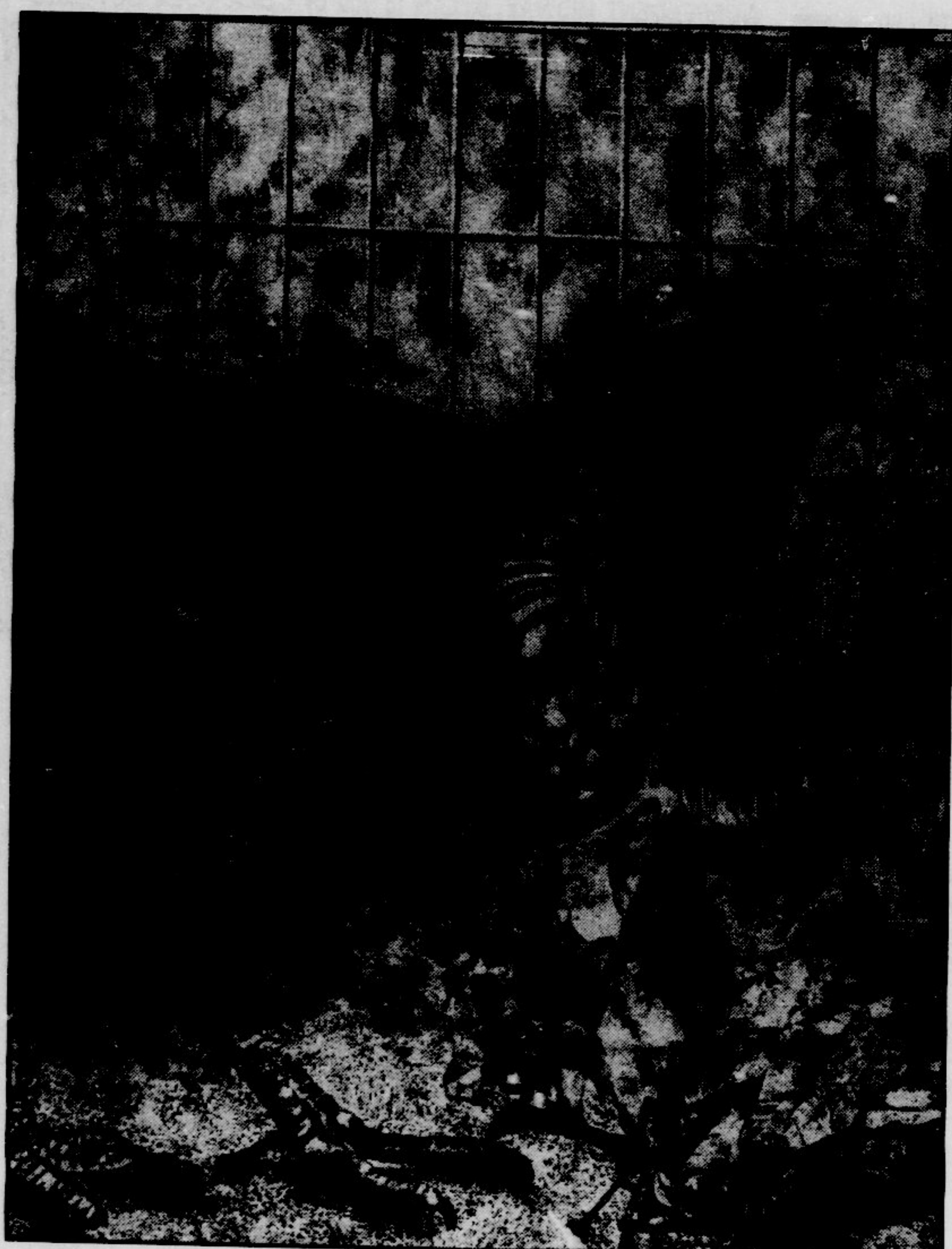
She came back to the States to get her doctorate in English and has been teaching at ECU for six years.

Wilentz teaches a variety of undergraduate and graduate literature courses such as Women in Lit., World Lit. in English and Black Lit. She is also involved in Ethnic and Women's Studies and graduate courses.

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— Gay Wilentz, on her book, *Binding Cultures: Black Women Writers in Africa and the Diaspora*

### Why'd the Chicken pose for the picture?



Courtesy Catherine Walker

Visiting artist Catherine Walker has several prints and drawings currently on exhibit at the Sumner School Museum & Archives in Washington, D.C. *The East Carolinian* apologizes to Walker for the inadvertent printing in the Oct. 1 issue of a picture done by Julie Mitchell.

## Wynonna shines in solo spotlight

By Elizabeth Shimmel  
Staff Writer

Wynonna Judd proved to her fans Saturday night at Walnut Creek that she doesn't need her mother on stage with her to have a successful musical career.

Rivaled by her opening acts, Steve Wariner and McBride and the Ride, Wynonna had to prove herself as a talented musician.

It was rumored that Wariner and McBride would steal the show, but Wynonna performed with the same classy flamboyance that made the Judds famous in 1984.

Her one-encore, hour-and-a-half show consisted of a professional showmanship you would expect to see only at a rock concert. But, somehow showman-

ship works for her.

Handing microphones to fans and pulling them out of the audience to dance with her gave the show a twist — but gave the audience the down-to-earth feeling that country music has long been associated with.

Close to half of her show consisted of music she once performed with her mother, Naomi, but her mother wasn't necessary on Wynonna's first solo tour to make the songs sound good.

Wynonna's raw voice with its gritty tones made up for the absence of her mother, who had to quit the music business last year because of a serious illness.

Wynonna sang The Judds' first number one record, "Mama He's Crazy," and then thanked the audience for making The Judds' career a success.

The rest of her show contained every song from her new album, entitled "Wynonna," and proved that talent can be hereditary.

Her solo album is an excellent mix of country music that sounds as if it's been mixed with rock and blues music proving that talent can be hereditary.

The end of her concert gave her back-up singers a chance to show off while singing "Live With Jesus." The three singers who had been standing above Wynonna throughout the concert descended from their perch on a gold staircase.

Their voices resembled Aretha Franklin's as the gospel sound of the music was enhanced by solos from all

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## Comedian Don Reese performs at Coffeehouse

By Pamela Revels  
Staff Writer

Comedian Don Reese's performance at The Coffeehouse Sept. 29 illustrated a twisted sense of humor that explored the funnier aspects of reality.

Reese, who is both tall and bald, sported a jean jacket, black biker boots and an earring. He opened with a joke about his intimidating appearance, suggesting that he had just made bail and was related to The Addams Family's Uncle Fester.

When he asked the audience if anyone drank, he got thundering applause. His next question was if anyone had ever had a really bad drinking experience — one where a whole weekend gets lost. Still more applause. "That's like asking if you people breathe," he responded.

Reese continued with topics such as

bad airplane trips, a visit to the urologist and bus journeys with "who's-who in mental illness." For the bus trips he suggested that all that is needed to keep the crazies away is a copy of Helter Skelter and a highlighter. His perverse, but honest humor kept the audience rolling.

Reese then used his creative wit to add comic dimension to everything from the mammoth size of bugs in the South to the annoyance of traffic cops with eight-battery flashlights.

When asked how he got his start in comedy, Reese revealed that his interest was sparked by various comedians, Robert Klein being his favorite. Reese's first performance took place at an open-mike night, where he admits that he cheated a little. "I got about 15 of my friends to come and sit in the audience," he said.

After that he began opening for other comedians, and was soon landing his own performances. Since then, this comedian from Iowa has performed on MTV's "Half Hour Comedy Hour" and A&E's "Comedy on the Road," as well as at various clubs and colleges.

Most of Reese's material comes from personal observations and experiences, and he tries to avoid offensive jokes. "I don't do anything sexist or racist."

Inevitably, people sometimes do get offended. Reese admits that he has had his share of problems with hecklers. "The worst ones are the ones that are so drunk that they can't even form words. They don't even know what they're saying."

Other than that, he admits that he has good nights and bad nights. "I don't consider myself naturally funny. Comedy is something you have to work at, just like everything else."

# Comedy show to deliver message

By David Jones  
Staff Writer

What do you get when you cross a Ph.D. in Sociology with a comedian? Well, if you are Bertice Berry you get a comedy show that delivers a message that everyone will remember. Berry will appear at ECU on Oct. 9.

While teaching at Kent State University, Berry's lectures became so popular that larger classroom facilities were soon needed to contain all the attending students.

She would still be teaching today if it were not for the words of comedian Mike Veneman. He was pursuing a Ph.D. also and had the opportunity to take one of Berry's classes. Veneman told Berry that she should change careers and go into comedy. Berry's initial reply to this idea was that she was a scholar and not a comedian.

That idea changed when she won \$50 at a local comedy contest. Word soon spread and Berry suddenly found herself on the receiving end of offers from all over the country. Berry's fellow professors criticized her for doing stand-up comedy, but she decided comedy reached more people who under-

stood her message.

"Sociology looks at the everyday mundane and points out the obvious," Berry said. "Comedians do the same thing, only they make light of it." Once Berry realized that she had the gift of comedy, the rest was just a matter of getting material together and hitting the road.

While taking her job very seriously, Berry always shows the lighter side of a situation. In describing her own life Berry says, "My name is Bertice Berry, and I recently earned a Ph.D. degree. Now I'm Dr. Bertice Berry. Ten years and \$100,000 later, I'm doing stand up comedy. My mother's real proud of me."

Berry says that she purposely stays away from any form of profanity in her shows. She believes that this makes her shows more acceptable to the general public and the whole point of going on tour is to reach people and not be exclusive to segments of society.

Along with her comedy touring, Berry enjoys a variety of "off duty" activities. She enjoys aerobics, dancing and vegetarian restaurants.

For more information, contact Sandra Garcia of the Minority Arts Committee.

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three of the singers. Wynonna asked for an Amen from the crowd when the revival-type song was over.

She started her encore with her current hit off the new album, "No One Else On Earth" and ended it with "It's Never Easy to Say Good-

bye," also from her solo album.

Wynonna thanked the crowd for making her feel welcome on her first solo stop in North Carolina, and made references to stopping here again before she and her band left the stage.

We are sorry to inform our readership that WZMB has kicked *The East Carolinian's* azz in the annual volleyball game. Though a massive struggle ensued, efforts were in vain. Special thanks to Andy, Rob, Bob, Joe, Matt, Mike and Claudette for showing up. A special TECovation to Michael Albuquerque for his undying support to his workplace.

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Sat., Oct. 10—Wristbands on sale inside gate until 4:00 p.m. honored until 6:00 p.m.

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## Tribe upends Pirates, 3-1

By Bob Owens  
Staff Writer

The East Carolina soccer team suffered from the "rainy day blues" Sunday, Oct. 4, in a 3-1 loss to Colonial Athletic Association foe William and Mary.

With this loss, the Pirates are now facing a 2-6 overall and 0-3 CAA overall record.

The Tribe, ranked 23rd in the nation, seemed impotent through the first 25 minutes of the contest, managing only a few ineffective runs of the goal that the Pirates easily turned away.

At the same time, ECU mounted several attacks on Wil-

liam and Mary's goal that led to shots that narrowly missed their mark.

William and Mary finally scored when an ECU defender committed a foul inside the box, enabling Eric Dumbleton to drill a penalty kick into the net with 29 minutes gone by.

Bill Owens put the Tribe up 2-0 when he found himself open in front of the ECU goal and connected on the shot 41 minutes into the match.

Despite the steady rain which had turned the field into a shallow lake, the Pirates pressed the attack. Kelly England fired a shot into the Tribe box that rebounded to Pirate

Justin Finck. Finck fed the ball to charging Marc Mullin, who sank the shot past William and Mary goalkeeper Scott Budnick to put the score at 2-1 with two minutes remaining in the half.

Only five minutes into the second half, William and Mary's Jon Kamera found an open route between Pirate defenders, and put the ball in the net past ECU goalie Bryan DeWeese to put the Tribe up 3-1.

ECU never gave up hope, and at one point the Pirate attack stayed in the William and Mary half of the field for five minutes.

A wet ball and extensive puddles that had formed around the Tribe goal hampered Pirate pass-

ing, cutting down scoring opportunities for ECU. The shots taken by the Pirates were quickly cleared by a stingy William and Mary defense.

The contest saw-sawed for the remainder of the match, but the wet, windy weather and a much more experienced Tribe team eventually wore down the Pirates, who suffered their third CAA conference loss of the season.

East Carolina will return to action Oct. 10 against Charleston Southern in Charleston, S.C. The next CAA match for East Carolina will be Oct. 14, when ECU travels to Fairfax, Va., to play George Mason University.

## Ruggers yet to lose in conference

By Richard J. Hooton III  
Staff Writer

On Saturday, East Carolina continued its unbeaten season by defeating the Duke Blue Devils 22-8 in conference rugby action.

The Pirates started quickly with Sean Miller blasting up the right side of the pitch and passing to Michael Culligan who trotted 15 meters for the first try of the day. Richard "Opie" Moss missed the kick after, making it 5-0. Then the Blue Devils came back and converted a penalty kick which put them down by only two points, 5-3.

The rest of the half was controlled by each team's defense. Leading the Pirates aggressive defense was Ross Marshall and Jason Webb as they continuously prevented the ball from being cleanly given to the scrum and flyhalf. The Pirates got an overload on the wing, and it was Culligan's turn again as he scored on a scamper down the right side. This, combined with a Moss kick, made the score 12-3 at halftime.

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## Men's basketball schedule released

Sports Information Department

Eight games against squads involved in post-season competition highlight the 1992-93 East Carolina University men's basketball schedule, released Thursday by school officials.

The Pirates will host UNC Charlotte in Minges Coliseum on Dec. 8 and travel to Alabama on Feb. 1. The 49ers won the Metro Conference Tournament title and played in the NCAA Tournament last season. UNCC will make its first visit to Minges since Jan. 2, 1984, when it defeated the Pirates, 67-57.

The Crimson Tide lost to Kentucky in the finals of the Southeastern Conference Tournament last season and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The Tide and the Pirates have met on the hardwood just once, with Alabama winning, 99-86, on Dec. 7, 1974 in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

ECU's six remaining games against teams in post-season competition are versus Colonial Athletic Association opponents. The Pirates have home-and-home games with CAA champion and NCAA participant Old Dominion and NIT and participants Richmond and James Madison.

The Pirates open their season on Dec. 1 against St. Andrews in Minges Coliseum. The CAA opener is on Jan. 9 in Harrisonburg, Va. against James Madison.

East Carolina will also play Virginia Tech and Tennessee Tech on a home-and-home basis this season. ECU will play in Blacksburg, Va. on Jan. 2 with the Hokies making a return trip on Feb. 18. ECU hosts Tennessee Tech on Dec. 12 with the Golden Eagles hosting the Pirates on Dec. 30.

The Pirates will also compete in the Toledo MVP Classic on Dec. 18-19. ECU plays Southeastern Louisiana in the first round while host Toledo plays Texas-Pan American.

East Carolina will also be on the CAA-Home Team Sports television package in two regular season games. The Jan. 30 game at UNC Wilmington and the Feb. 15 game at American will be televised on Home Team Sports.

This season, ECU will play two exhibition games in Minges Coliseum. The Pirates will host the Cuban Junior Nationals on Nov. 23 and the Kentucky Crusaders on Dec. 5.

All home games in Minges Coliseum are scheduled to start at 7 p.m. unless changed for television.

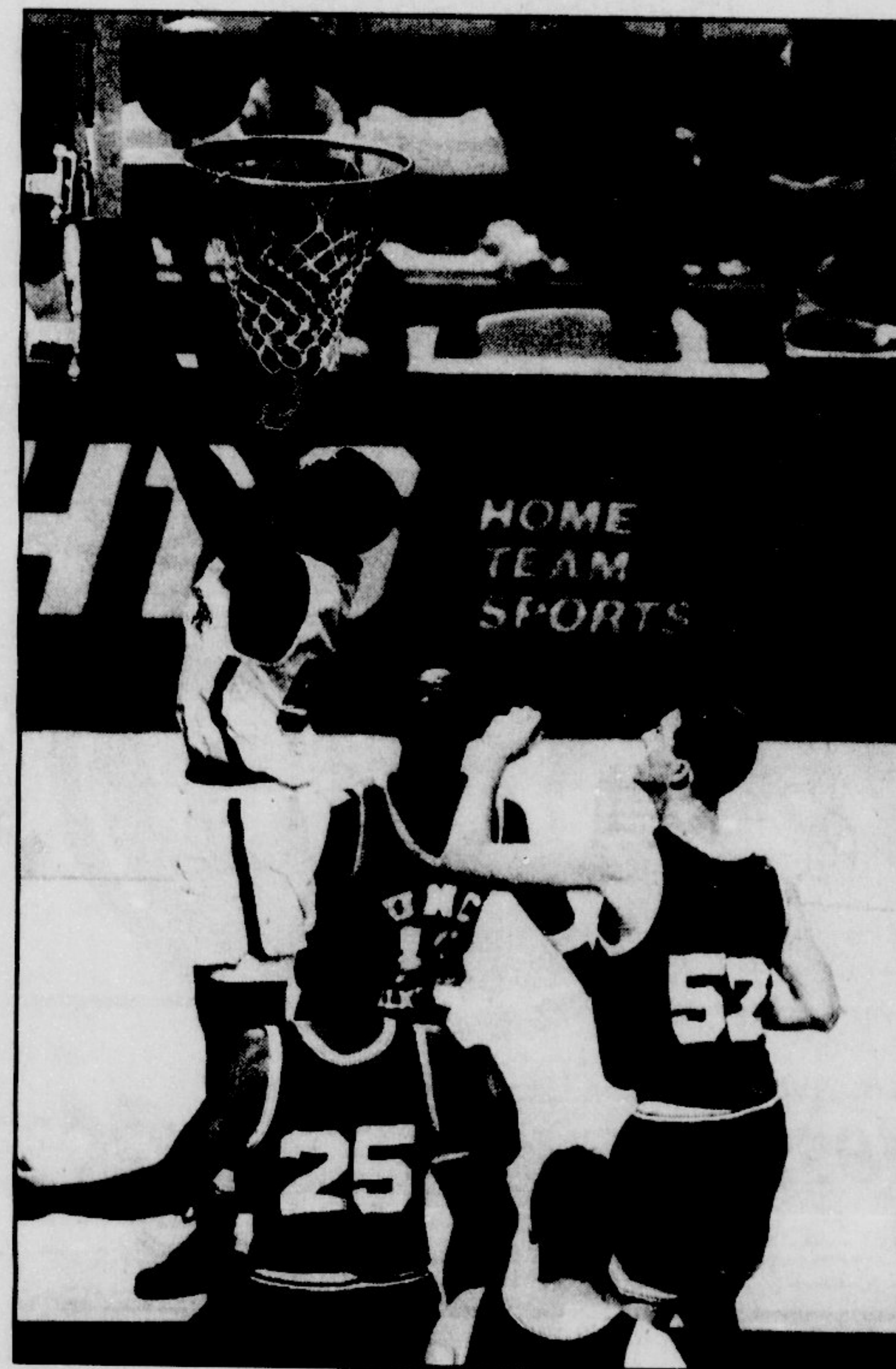


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Hands above the rest. The 1992-93 Pirate Hoopsters will be tipping their way through the CAA. Read The East Carolinian for all the scores.

### 1992-93 EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
(Mon) Nov. 23	CUBAN JUNIOR NATIONALS (Exh.)	7 p.m.
(Tue) Dec. 1	ST. ANDREWS	7 p.m.
(Sat) Dec. 5	KENTUCKY CRUSADERS (Exh.)	7 p.m.
(Tue) Dec. 8	UNC CHARLOTTE	7 p.m.
(Sat) Dec. 12	TENNESSEE TECH	7 p.m.
(Fri-Sat) Dec. 18-19	at Toledo MVP Classic (at Toledo)	
Dec. 18	East Carolina vs. Southeastern Louisiana	7 p.m.
	Toledo vs. Texas-Pan American	9 p.m.
Dec. 19	Consolation Game	7 p.m.
	Championship Game	9 p.m.
(Tue) Dec. 22	at Colorado State	9 p.m.
(Wed) Dec. 30	at Tennessee Tech	9 p.m.
(Sat) Jan. 2	at Virginia Tech	1 p.m.
(Mon) Jan. 4	at Appalachian State	7:30 p.m.
(Sat) Jan. 9	at James Madison*	7:30 p.m.
(Mon) Jan. 11	at Richmond*	7:30 p.m.
(Sat) Jan. 16	AMERICAN*	7 p.m.
(Mon) Jan. 18	GEORGE MADISON*	7 p.m.
(Thu) Jan. 21	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	7 p.m.
(Mon) Jan. 25	at Old Dominion*	7:35 p.m.
(Wed) Jan. 27	WILLIAM & MARY*	7 p.m.
(Sat) Jan. 30	at UNC Wilmington* (HTS)	2 p.m.
(Mon) Feb. 1	at Alabama	8:30 p.m.
(Sat) Feb. 6	JAMES MADISON*	7 p.m.
(Mon) Feb. 8	RICHMOND*	7 p.m.
(Sat) Feb. 13	at George Madison*	7:30 p.m.
(Mon) Feb. 15	at American* (HTS)	7:30 p.m.
(Thu) Feb. 18	VIRGINIA TECH	7 p.m.
(Sat) Feb. 20	OLD DOMINION*	7 p.m.
(Wed) Feb. 24	at William & Mary*	7:30 p.m.
(Sat) Feb. 27	UNC WILMINGTON*	7 p.m.
(Sat-Mon) March 6-8	Richmond-CAA Tournament (at Richmond, Va.)	TBA

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## Cross country splits, Connolly leads Pirates

Sports Information Department

The ECU cross country team completed Saturday's race with an even split in a three-team race. Both the men and women beat Towson State but lost to Richmond in overall scoring.

ECU sophomore Sean Connolly continued his streak of leading the team's scoring with 21:50, good for second place overall. Senior Tony Chadwick placed second for ECU and sixth overall at 22:35.

Connolly's time tied the old course record, but Richmond's Justin Geisal, the meet's top scorer, set a new course record with 21:20.

"Richmond really ran great today," Assistant Coach Charles Justice said. "We did not have an outstanding performance, and that is what we needed to beat them on their home course."

Stacy Green led the Lady Pirates at 19:30 as the second-place scorer despite nursing a twisted ankle. She also twisted it again prior to the race. In spite of that, she went out and ran a solid race but was unable to run aggressively on the hills.

Justice said the hilly course was a factor which affected the Pirates' performance on Saturday.

"The course was hard for us to prepare for," he said. "There is just no where around here (in Greenville) for us to simulate those kind of conditions."

Despite what he believes was a disappointing showing for the Pirates, Justice does not want a race like this to overshadow the team's season.

"The bottom line is what we do at the conference," he said. "That's ultimately how we will judge our season."

### MEN'S RACE (4.1 miles)

Top Individuals		Time
1. Justin Geisal,	UR	21:20
2. Sean Connolly,	ECU	21:50
3. Keith Owen,	UR	21:56
4. Rich Sciara,	UR	22:13
5. Keith Scott,	UR	22:56

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## Ladies win one of four at Furman University

Sports Information Department

On the first day of the Furman Invitational, the Lady Pirates took on the College of Charleston and Furman University.

The College of Charleston beat ECU in four games — 15-10, 3-15, 12-15, 6-15. As a team, ECU finished the match with 51 kills, 67 assists and 47 digs.

Senior Wendy Schultz led the Pirate offense with 23 kills out of 40 attempts. Schultz also led the team with 17 digs. Jenny Parsons, ECU's top setter, had 55 assists.

Against Furman, the Pirates lost in five — 15-11, 3-15, 15-13, 12-15, 9-15.

"We played the best we've played all year," Head Coach Martha McCaskill said. "We deserved to win but we just had some bad breaks. We've got to make those breaks work for us, not against us."

Schultz had 20 kills while freshman Melanie Richards added 15. Parsons racked up 58 assists. Defensively, Schultz had 18 digs.

After the first day of the Furman Invitational, ECU's tournament record stands at 0-2 while their overall record moves to 4-9.

"We're hanging in there," McCaskill said. "We're sad that we couldn't be on the winning side of things but the girls will be ready tomorrow."

Day two of the Furman Invitational saw ECU slipped their two games. Against UNC-C the Pirates lost in three straight — 8-15, 2-15, 0-15. As a team, ECU finished the match with 27 kills, 23 assists and 30 digs. Individually, Parsons led with 19 assists, Schultz and Richards racked up seven kills each and Schultz also led the defense with 12 digs.

ECU was able to come back from their loss and claim a win against Mercer in three straight — 15-8, 15-3, 15-8. ECU's team totals were much improved. The team had 45 kills, 43 assists and 45 digs. Schultz had 16 kills and Parsons had 35 assists. Defensively, Leigh Wilcox came up with 11 digs.

At the completion of the Furman Invitational, ECU's tournament record stood at 1-3 and their overall record moved to 5-10.

After a three game road stint, the Lady Pirates bring their play back home tonight when they take on UNC-Greensboro at 7 p.m.

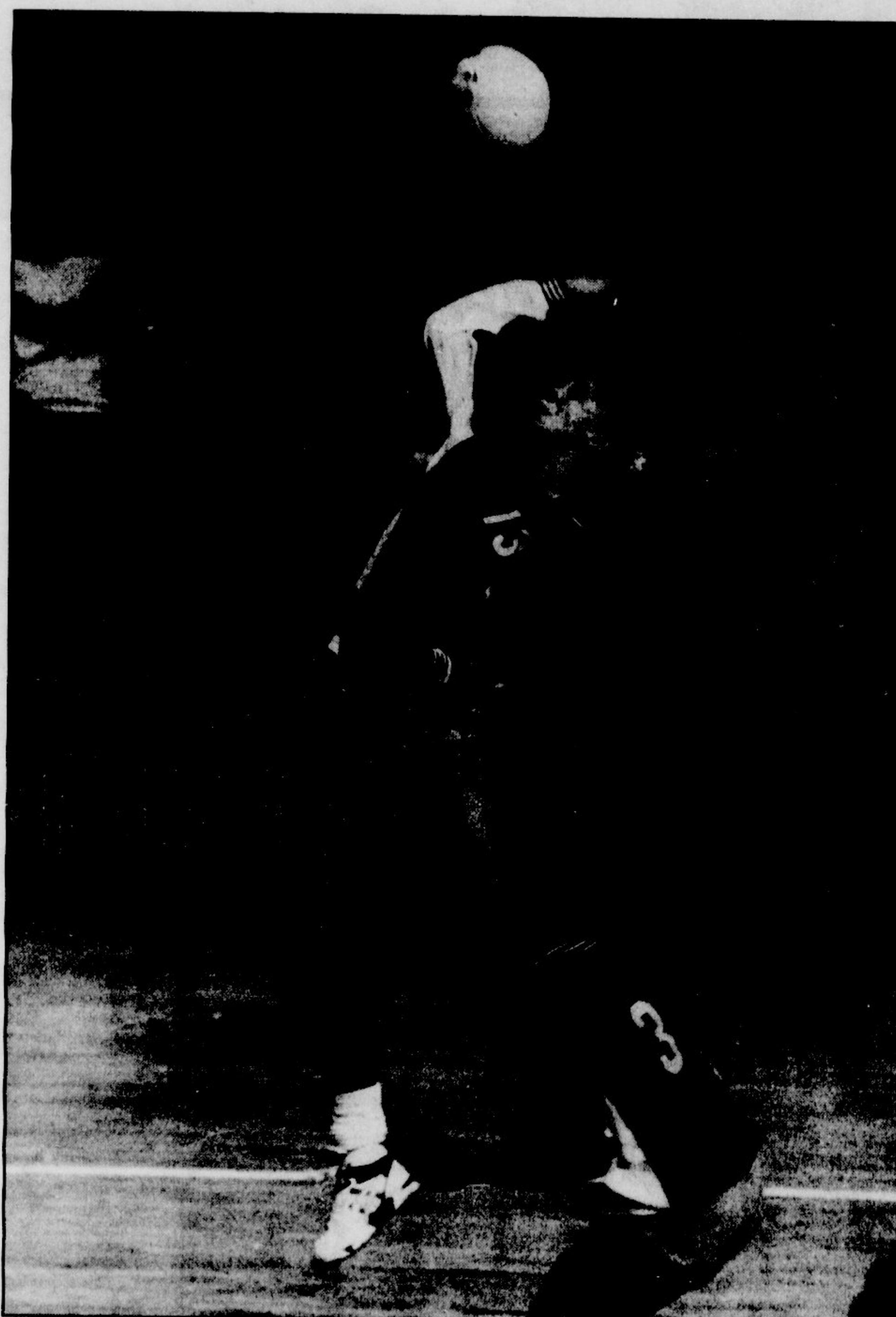


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All eyes were on the Lady Pirates this past weekend at the Furman Invitational. ECU salvaged one victory during the two day, four match competition.

**Rugbers**

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After halftime, East Carolina mounted an attack that the Blue Devils could not repel. The rugbers were relentless as they forced the ball up the field and settled for three points as Moss made a penalty kick from 25 meters out.

The Duke team had several opportunities to score, but were quickly denied by the hard hitting of K.G. Moore and Casey Craig. The combined efforts of Moore and Casey caused the Blue Devils several times to commit errors by mishandling the ball, and turning it over to the unstoppable Pirate pack.

The Pirates' most exciting play of the day began 10 meters away from the Duke try zone. They decided to forget the finesse of their wing, the speed of their wing-forwards and simply let the pack drive the Duke pack back into their own try zone with brute force.

The drive was led by locks Bob "Homer" Thomas and Jay Keller. When the ball crossed the try line, Chris Carney simply fell on the ball for the Pirates' last score of the day. Moss' attempt after was dead center, and the score stood at 22-3. Duke came back in the closing five minutes and scored the first try against East Carolina in three matches.

East Carolina's "B" side had some difficulty in their match with a strong Duke team. The match will not count due to shortage of players on the Duke team which were filled by the substitutes from the Pirates' bench.

East Carolina is favored in the state tournament again this year, boasting an average 30 plus points a match while giving up a slim four.

The Pirates are off this weekend, but will resume play next week against North Carolina State.

**Cross Country**

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Other ECU Men Finishers (4.1 miles)		ECU Women Finishers (3.1)	
6. Tony Chadwick	22:35	2. Stacy Green	19:30
9. Mark Mathis	23:07	7. Marianne Marini	20:02
11. Rod Williams	23:13	10. Cathrine Norstrand	20:25
16. Eric Adamski	23:44	13. Jessica Montgomery	20:50
22. Mike Jolley	24:01	14. Susan Hu	21:12
25. Chris O'Shields	24:40	18. Kelly Hanna	22:10
26. Stacey Cochran	24:58	19. Theresa Marini	22:21
		27. Gretchen Harley	23:19

Men's Scores

1. Richmond 20 (1,3,4,5,7)
2. ECU 38 (2,6,9,10,11)
1. ECU 18 (1,2,3,5,7)
2. Towson State 37 (4,6,8,9,10)

Women's Scores

1. Richmond 20 (1,3,4,6,9,10)
2. ECU 33 (2,6,8,10,11)
1. ECU 24 (1,3,4,7,8)
2. Towson State 31 (2,4,6,9,10)

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