

Briefs

Across The State

WINSTON-SALEM (AP) — Administrators with the North Carolina community college system are facing a dilemma that, all things considered, is better than the alternative.

Enrollment is expected to rise dramatically over the next decade.

Officials operating the state's 58 community colleges project enrollment in the 2005-2006 school year will be 966,941 students, a 24 percent increase over current enrollment, the Winston-Salem Journal reported Tuesday.

DURHAM (AP) — He was invited for a spot on Letterman and Leno, but now a 14-year-old boy who has remained anonymous since casting his ballot in the Nov. 5 election may be facing a few legal hurdles.

Officials said Tuesday that county Elections Supervisor Carol Booth officially will challenge the registration of the youth, who lied about his age when he registered to vote at a Rockingham rock concert last summer.

Across The Country

NEWARK, Del. (AP) — The FBI has joined the search for a college freshman charged with murder in the death of his girlfriend's newborn boy, who was dumped in a trash bin.

A federal fugitive warrant was issued Tuesday for Brian C. Peterson Jr., 18, of Wyckoff, N.J. Peterson is charged with murder along with 18-year-old Amy Grossberg, his high school sweetheart and the baby's mother. The baby was put in a plastic bag and dumped in a trash bin outside a motel last week, authorities said.

CHICAGO (AP) — Arguing that the effects of crack and powdered cocaine are similar, two psychologists say federal sentencing guidelines that now impose harsher penalties for crack are excessive and should be reduced.

In response to the outbreak of crack-related crime in the 1980s, Congress enacted tougher punishments for crack cocaine a decade ago.

Around The World

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Hurricane Marco spun eastward through the Caribbean toward Jamaica today, threatening to inflict further damage on an island where severe storms have already forced families from their homes.

Jamaica's government issued a flash-flood watch and urged fishermen to return to port. Storm-force winds from the first effects of the hurricane could begin as early as tonight in western and southern Jamaica.

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Eager to forge stronger ties to Asia, President Clinton today committed the United States to improving relations with China and defended his administration's handling of questions about campaign contributions linked to Asian interests.

Charity bowl ignites Pirate, Wolfpack rivalry

ECU, N.C. State start fund-race for Make-A-Wish

Angela Koenig
Staff Writer

ECU and N.C. State University are competing on and off the football field this year. The colleges have been in competition to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Bell Atlantic Communications, the title sponsor of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Eastern North Carolina, challenged the schools' organizations to raise as much money as possible for the charity. This is the first year of the event.

Chairman of ECU's Make-A-Wish Foundation Fundraising Campaign and member of Kappa Alpha Psi Terrence Evans proposed working with the foundation to his fraternity and contacted the charity.

"I happened to call at the right time. Bell Atlantic Communications had just had a meeting with the Make-A-Wish

Foundation. They wanted to do something but didn't know what to do. They wanted to involve the schools and decided this would be a great way to kick off the ECU and NCSU football game," Evans said.

"They chose us (ECU and NCSU) because of the ball game. They thought it would be a neat way to tie it together. Also because ECU and NC State have two of the best communications departments and that is what Bell Atlantic is interested in," Kelly Gillespie said. Gillespie worked with the fundraising at NCSU. ECU and the communications com-

pany worked together with the theme "Bell Atlantic and ECU Making Dreams Come True."

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is a non-profit organization that raises money to make the dreams of terminally ill children come true. The funds raised will go directly to the charity.

ECU's Kappa Alpha Psi, the Inter-Fraternity Council and Pan-Hellenic Council of ECU worked together to get students involved in the fundraising.

Kappa Alpha Psi held a Mr. University pageant in which contestants and the organizations sponsoring the con-

tants raised money for the charity. The Inter-Fraternity Council and the Pan-Hellenic Council worked with a local restaurant which had a daily meal special and gave a portion of the profits to the organization. The National Pan-Hellenic Council collected money from the organizations under its guidance, and the Tae Kwon Do Club held a Kick-A-Thon at the Carolina East Mall to raise funds for the charity.

In addition to this, James Earl Jones visited the campus on Tuesday to speak

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ECU to become world center for athletic training

Campus gets international exposure after Olympic committee's approval

Scott Hopkins
Staff Writer

ECU is always looking for a way to give itself national exposure. Now ECU will be receiving international exposure as we become a mainstay for the development and training of the world's athletes.

In the last week, ECU representatives and athletic officials from around the world approved a proposal to make ECU a center for international human performance. This proposal had been in process for some time but had not been made public.

"This will be a center used for the assessment of athletes, and to prescribe training for international athletes," said Christian Zauner, dean of the School of Health and Human Development.

The Association of National Olympic Committees met last week in Mexico to

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Stadium expansion gets green light

First phase begins on Dowdy-Ficklen north side

Jennifer Sparboe
Contributing Writer

Plans to expand the north side of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium were made a reality at the project's groundbreaking Friday, Nov. 15.

About 100 people including university officials, donors, supporters, fans and others joined together at 4 p.m. on the north side of the stadium to begin the first phase of the expansion.

The first phase of the expansion is currently underway, beginning with the removal of the north side light towers.

"The expansion has been talked

about for the last seven or eight years," said Henry VanSant, associate athletic director.

The project will be completed by Sept. 13, 1996, for the game against Wake Forest University. The idea that the project won't be finished on time will not be thought about.

"[It is] not even a consideration. It will be done," VanSant said.

The work that will take place at Dowdy-Ficklen is different from the construction of the library or recreation center. There is not the same amount of electrical, plumbing, and finishing work such as painting and countertops.

In order to keep track of the progress on the expansion monthly meetings will be held. The first meeting since the groundbreaking took place yesterday.

An 8,000 seat upper deck will be added, which will bring Dowdy-Ficklen's seating capacity of

35,000 seats up to 43,000. N. C. State University's Carter-Finley Stadium currently seats 53,000 while UNC-Chapel Hill's Kenan Stadium now seats 52,000. ECU's expansion efforts will not make the stadium larger than surrounding universities, but it will bring it closer to the seating capacity of larger schools such

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November celebrates Native American history

Display to appear in Mendenhall on Sunday

Jennifer Barnes
Staff Writer

As the ECU Native American Association recognizes November as Native American Heritage month, they hope to use this month to educate the students more about Native Americans and their culture.

North Carolina has the largest Native American population east of the Mississippi, and this month is designated to recognize these Native American peoples and their tribes.

Joey Crutchfield, an alumni elder adviser for the EC Native American Association said that they are really involved with Native American Heritage month.

"We sponsor a food drive where can goods and food are collected and distributed to Native American

families and Native American communities," Crutchfield said.

Crutchfield also said that they do a lot of educational things in the local school system in Pitt County.

"We are involved in promoting Native American culture through public exhibitions," Crutchfield said.

Some other things that are being done to encourage interest in the Native American culture are powwows and displays.

There will be a special function held at Wolf Creek Trader's, on Sun., Nov. 24 from 1-3 p.m. Crutchfield said that he hopes the dancing, crafts, and other things will offer a way for ECU Native American students to try to help educate non-native people about Native American culture.

Along with this, a display will go up on Nov. 24 in

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James Earl Jones



Photo by Jeffery Gay

Actor James Earl Jones of *Field of Dreams*, *The Lion King* and *Star Wars* visited campus Monday on behalf of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Construction will not put a stop to Fall Commencement

Erika Swartz
Staff Writer

With Fall Commencement nearing, the construction of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, weather and the hopeful graduates are the main concerns of the Commencement Committee.

Commencement is scheduled for Dec. 7 at 10 a.m. in Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, if weather permits. However, in the event of unfavorable weather, two ceremonies will be held that day at Minges Coliseum in William's Arena.

According to Commencement Committee Chair C.C. Rowe, two ceremonies are needed because of limited seating. The morning exercise, which starts at 10 a.m., will honor doctors of philosophy, educational specialists, certificates of advanced study, master's degrees, and baccalaureate degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences. The afternoon ceremony, which starts at 2 p.m., will honor all other Baccalaureate degrees.

If weather permits, Rowe does not foresee many problems. Their biggest immediate concern is the power and water to the facilities in the stadium. Both have been cut off due to the construction. This seems to be the only problem caused by the construction because the lower section used for the ceremony, should be left untouched.

A problem that faces the hopeful graduates is the fact that final exams are taken after Commencement. The ceremony is held before exams because the Commencement Committee understands that after exams, students are ready to leave. They know the last thing students want to do is hang around and wait for the ceremony.

Rowe stresses that just because you take part in the ceremony does not mean you have graduated. After final grades are in graduates have their diplomas mailed to them.

As for preparation goes, Rowe advises students to finish picking up their cap and gowns. Students also need to finish sending out invitations. This is especially important for out-of-town guests. If your guests plan to stay in Greenville they should call now for hotel accommodations.



Another problem with students has been the \$25 Commencement fee.

"We have the Commencement fee in addition to other fees to pay for cap and gowns, diplomas, and to help pay for the mailing of the diplomas," Rowe said. "Our fee barely covers these costs. We are not making any money."

The school subsidizes the remaining costs. The money is used to pay for overtime to facility service employees, security and traffic direc-

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SGA

Student Government Association Update

Brandon Waddell
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Meeting held November 18, 1996

The SGA meeting held Monday evening primarily focused on student fee changes for the 1997-1998 school year. Campus departments requested money for their organizations, then each department spoke briefly to the legislature defending their proposed budgets. Once the budget is approved by the student legislature, the amended version is forwarded to Chancellor Eakin's office for consideration. The student legislature is comprised of day student representatives, residence hall representatives and class officers.

According to Jonathan Phillips, SGA treasurer, the Chancellor's office has not made any changes to the budget approved by SGA in four years. The Chancellor presents his recommended fees to the Board of Trustees who can either approve or amend the fees submitted. According to Phillips, the Board of Trustees has not made any significant changes in three years. Finally, the proposed increases in student fees are forwarded from the Board of Trustees to the Board of Governors, who is the final approval authority. The following is a breakdown of the requested student fees per student and changes made by the student legislature for the 1997-1998 school year.

Organization	'96-'97	Requested '97-'98	Approved '97-'98
*SGA	\$9.75	\$9.75	\$9.75
*Transit	\$25	\$25	\$25
Media	\$20.75	\$18.75	\$18.75
Fine Arts	\$5	\$4	\$4
Rec Services	\$100	\$120	\$117
*Student Fund	\$3	\$3	\$3
Accounting Office	\$6	\$6	\$6
*Minges Operations	\$18.50	\$18.50	\$18.50
*Student Union	\$76	\$84	\$82
Mendenhall Operations	\$235	\$242	\$242
Athletic fee	\$130	\$140	\$137
Student health fee	\$130	\$140	\$137
*Education and technology fee	\$60	\$60	\$60

* denotes fees that the student legislature did not have to discuss because there was no change from the 1996-1997 school year. The university is required to get student input when there is an increase in student fees; therefore, the only areas the legislature voted on were increases from the previous school year.

According to SGA, the following members of the legislature were absent when role was taken: Laurie Godfrey, Laura Benfield, Katrina Plad, Lisa Smith, Mike Davis and Tim Riley.

Fraternities enter new millenium

Honor Co-eds challenge popular stereotypes

Joe Horst
Contributing Writer

Recently in Chapel Hill, fraternal organizations were shocked when members of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity were killed in a fraternity house fire. After this tragedy, a new focus has illuminated these organizations and their struggle to remain in the changing society of educational institutions.

Though some may still see fraternities in the common "Animal House" image, that image has been disdained and discarded by many of the fraternal organizations.

Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity is one such organization that, on its base alone, has shown to be one of the most unique and diverse groups to survive the incoming millennium.

Founded on February 14, 1916, Phi Sigma Pi immediately set itself apart from the rest of the traditional organizations, basing itself on a tripod of qualities—fellowship, leadership and scholarship.

By 1984, only six active chapters of Phi Sigma Pi remained. However, through a wide scope of internal improvements, Phi Sigma Pi saw an unprecedented upswing in enrollment. Five years later, Phi Sigma Pi had broadened itself into a total of 18 active chapters around the country.

"The reason for this unprecedented growth is due to two things: quality leadership at the national and chapter levels and the phenomenal interest generated by the uniqueness of our organization," said current National President Jeffrey L. Johnson. "We are essentially one-third honor society, one-third service organization, one-third social fraternity, welcoming both men and women into our ranks."

Elder chapters in Phi Sigma Pi provide the fraternity with a base of tradition and experience that paves the way for future chapters.

"Tradition puts a pressure to strive to be the best," said Tau alumnus Jonathan Taylor. "The new chapters push the older ones to improve upon those traditions, to fight complacency."

What sets Phi Sigma Pi apart from other campus organizations is the emphasis on making its members well-rounded, President Jeremy Kraybill of the Alpha Gamma chapter at the University of Pennsylvania said.

"I believe that by encouraging excellence in all areas, and at the same time placing a high value on building friendships between members, Phi Sigma Pi fills a void that exists on many campuses," Kraybill said.

Tau alumnus David Batts said, "Our service belief will keep Phi Sigma Pi well past the year 2000 and on the cutting edge. Doing good for the community doesn't just stop at education—it continues for the rest of your life, fostering an attitude."

Within the past decade, the increase of newer chapters has grown in epic proportions. With this upswing, the push to remain up-to-date has become paramount to the fraternity's success.

"Phi Sigma Pi can take on any issue, any subject form, any service project, any social activity, any educational opportunity because of the diversity its own members bring to it," President Julie Kraft of the Beta Psi chapter at Middle Tennessee State said.

Kraft also echoes the sentiments of the elder chapters in recognizing that service is a vital part of the fraternity's future.

"A national philanthropy will give new chapters some sort of foundation to work from, and give them the opportunity to see some of the projects which other chapters engage in," Kraft said. "It will also work to bring together chapters who are geographically very far apart, unite them in such a way that they will be able to communicate."

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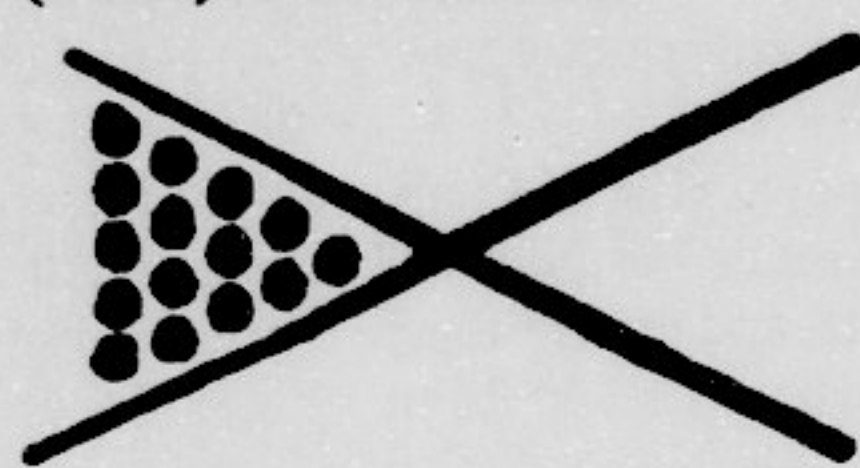
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New physicians assistants introduced

Reception started PA studies program

Angela Koenig
Staff Writer

ECU's School of Allied Health Services introduced the faculty of its new Physician Assistant (PA) Studies Program at a reception in the Belk Building yesterday.

ECU was granted permission for the program in February by the University of N. C. General Administration.

The school has been officially trying to bring this program to ECU since 1994, when Jim Keller was hired to begin research for the program.

This will be the first program of its kind in a public university in the state. There are three private schools in North Carolina with PA programs.

The program will admit 20 students for the first session of summer school. More than 3300 inquiries

have been made by interested students, some from as far away as Puerto Rico.

The program will remain small at first, until things get fully organized and set up and due to the low student teacher ratio which must be maintained in a program of its kind.

"To teach medical diagnosis, it has to be an almost one-on-one setting. It must be a real hands-on atmosphere," said Edward D. Huechtker, MPA, PA-C, chair of the department of physician assistant studies.

Other faculty members for the program are Pam Bailey, PA-C, Nicole Drury, Jim Keller and Charles C. Lewis, MPH, PA-C.

The deadline for applications is Jan. 5 and students will be notified

of their selection by the middle of March.

A committee of science faculty from ECU, practicing PAs in the community and one physician from the community will narrow the applicants down to a field of approximately 100 and then perform personal interviews. Preference will be given to North Carolina residents and students in states which currently do not have accredited PA programs.

It is a 27 month program which requires students to have completed two years of courses prior to entering and will give the students a BS in Physician Assistant studies.

Many of the interested applicants are college graduates currently working in a health care related profession.

"Many have been in health care... and now want to be able to diagnose and treat patients," Huechtker said.

PAs practice medicine under the supervision of licensed physicians and provide patient care services that would otherwise be performed by physicians. They take medical histories, order and interpret lab tests, perform physical examinations, diagnose and treat illnesses and injuries, suture wounds, assist in surgery and in some states, write prescriptions.

UNC Chapel Hill invites minorities to law conference

Groups converge to offer free law school information on special day


Staff Reports

Minority students who are interested in learning more about careers in law and the law school educational process are invited to attend a conference at UNC-Chapel Hill on Friday.

The university's School of Law, the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) and the Student Bar Association (SBA) are hosting the day-long conference, a way for minority students to participate in Law School Information Day.

The conference is designed to give students a realistic look at law school and the demands on students as well as to provide information about preparing for law school, admission policies and procedures and employment opportunities.

The conference is free to students and will begin at 8:45 a.m. in the UNC Law School. Interested students should contact Assistant Dean of Admission to the law school and Director of International Programs J. Elizabeth Furr at (919) 962-5109.



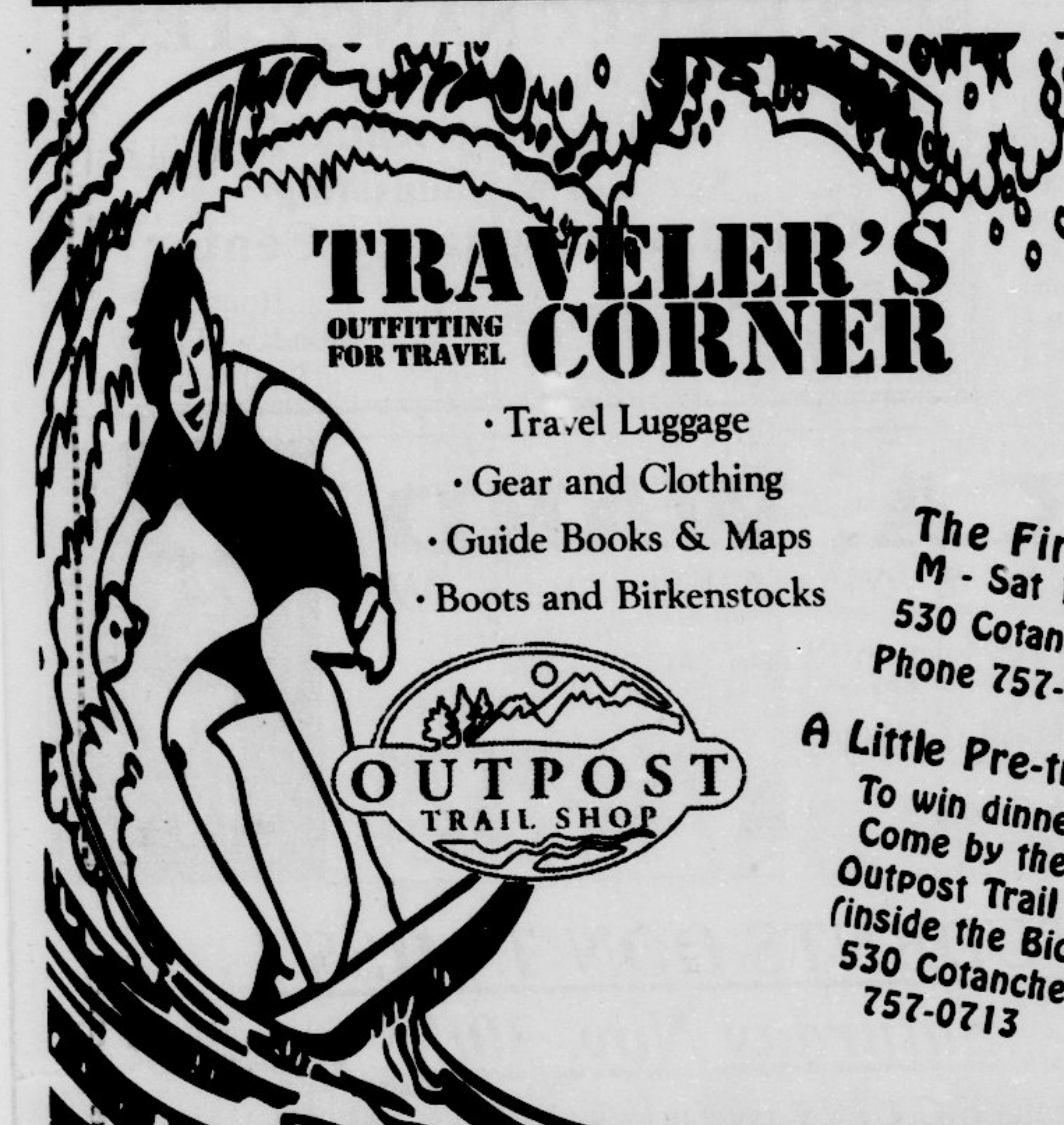
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Foundation offers employees a break

\$15,000 sabbatical offered to non-profit organizations

Jacqueline D. Kellum
Senior Writer

Thanks to the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, full-time employees of non-profit organizations have an opportunity to take a three to six month sabbatical. Recipients will receive \$15,000 from the foundation to finance their activities during their sabbatical.

According to Ms. Becky Wiles, the sabbatical coordinator for the foundation, this program was developed seven years ago by the board of trustees in an attempt to reward those hardworking leaders of non-profit organizations who often receive little recognition.

"The Board of Trustees realized there were a lot of people in the non-profit sector who did not seem to have an opportunity to do

this," Wiles said.

There are usually five recipients of this reward, each of whom will receive \$15,000 to use however they choose toward their sabbatical activities. The activities they pursue vary widely, and are entirely up to the individual's choice.

"The majority of them travel, and they have the freedom to design their sabbaticals however they want. A few return to school or just stay home and spend time with their families," Wiles said.

In addition to rewarding these recipients, the program also attempts to improve the performance of the employees by returning them to their careers with a reaffirmation of their commitment to their organization.

"When these leaders go back to work, they are renewed, and have a much better outlook on their capabilities in their jobs and everything," Wiles said.

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation is a general purpose foundation which was established to benefit the people of North Carolina. The sabbatical program is available only to N. C. non-profit

programs and N. C. residents. The foundation has a tradition of supporting non-profit organizations.

"We make grants twice a year to non-profit organizations in North Carolina," Wiles said.

Wiles said there are usually about 50-75 people who apply for the sabbatical, and they are chosen on the basis of their accomplishments, the difficulty of their work environment, their need for a sabbatical, and their potential for further contributions to their organization.

The initial elimination process is done by the applications, and the final is selection made by interview.

"They narrow it down to 10 finalists, who are interviewed during a weekend program, and the recipients are chosen from those 10," Wiles said.

Wiles said that all of their past recipients have appreciated the break from their duties that this sabbatical program gave them. A surprising number of participants, she said, tell the foundation that this was their first vacation.

"They're eternally grateful," Wiles said.

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Mendenhall. This will add to the display already being shown in the medical school.

Steve Warden, another alumni elder adviser for the EC Native American Association, wants these things to help people get over their preconceived ideas about Native Americans.

"I hope that we can get rid of some of the stereotypes about Native people," Warden said.

Crutchfield agrees with this hope and thinks people might realize that the Native Americans have not gone anywhere.

"We, as native people, are still

here," Crutchfield said. "We may not all look like the buffalo nickel, but we're still here."

Crutchfield said that the Native Americans don't always look the same, but they do feel the same.

"Regardless of how we look sometimes, it is what is inside of us that identifies us as Native peoples," Crutchfield said. "The strong family ties and a sense of giving to Native and non-Native people."

Crutchfield thinks that this could help everyone as a whole.

"Hopefully by non-Native people seeing how Native people continue to give can benefit soci-

ety," Crutchfield said. "This can benefit society by maybe others picking up on that aspect, and helping each other out."

Crutchfield feels overall this month could prove to be very essential in helping not just the Native Americans, but everyone.

"The whole purpose, I think, behind specifying a specific month is so that we can learn from each other, because we all have something to offer each other," Crutchfield said. "The more that we learn from each other, the better it will be for all of us, and the more respect that we will have for each other."

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on a wide level."

Other newer chapters agree that Phi Sigma Pi, and its basis on the tripod, has greatly influenced their lives and will continue to do so in the future.

In September of 1993, the Professional Fraternity Association (PFA) extended an invitation to Phi Sigma Pi to join its growing membership of campus associations. At a recent PFA convention, the question arose as to how the fraternity can keep its tremendous growth in such a volatile fraternal environment. Current National Vice-President of Chapter Development Lindsay Fernandez said that Phi Sigma Pi gives students the tools they need to interact in the society of the future.

"Today's incoming college students are looking for more than a good college life," Fernandez said. "Phi Sigma Pi tries to remain in touch with its students and provide them with the skills that they will need to succeed in life."

ECU Dean of Students Ronald Speier said that Phi Sigma Pi offers students a unique chance in their college career.

"[Phi Sigma Pi] offers an opportunity to work with other students not only of different gender, but also with high academics," Speier said. "They have strong administrative support, quality members who pay an active interest in activities; they should continue to be a strong group on campus in the future."

Alumni also provide a valuable source of history for chapters, allow-

ing their own experiences to aid the growth of not only the chapter, but the fraternity as a whole. Dr. Jack Thornton, Tau alumni and current chapter adviser, said that changes and the ability to adapt to it is integral to the fraternity's future.

"Change will happen in the future," Thornton said. "Our ability to adapt to change is one of our strongest assets that we have which will help us accept what the future will bring. In addition to adaptability to change, our service to community is also a strong asset."

With a current membership of 4,000 undergraduate members, 21,000 alumni and 70 chapters nationwide, Phi Sigma Pi has poised itself with a strong internal family to take the next step into the year 2000.

"Phi Sigma Pi changes the individual lives of the brothers as each learns what it means to be a community," Tau alumna Amanda Hines said.

"Phi Sigma Pi is a family, my family and all my brothers' family as well," Kraft said.

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to students about being aware of the charity and the children it helps. Jones is a spokesperson for Bell Atlantic Communications, which recently made a \$10,000 contribution to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

His speech was part of a program in which ECU presented \$2,500 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Assistant Dean of the School of Medicine Thomas Irons was the Master of Ceremonies for the event. Evans, Executive Director of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Eastern NC Linda Barrett, Director of Bell Atlantic Communications Paula Scanlon and a parent of a Make-A-Wish recipient also spoke at the program.

By next week the final fundraising contributions should be collected and given to the charity.

"I'd like to congratulate ECU. It turns out we [NCSU] raised close to \$1,000. We'd like to thank the Make-A-Wish Foundation for letting us have the competition with you guys because overall, the main point of the competition was to raise money for such a great charity," Gillespie said.

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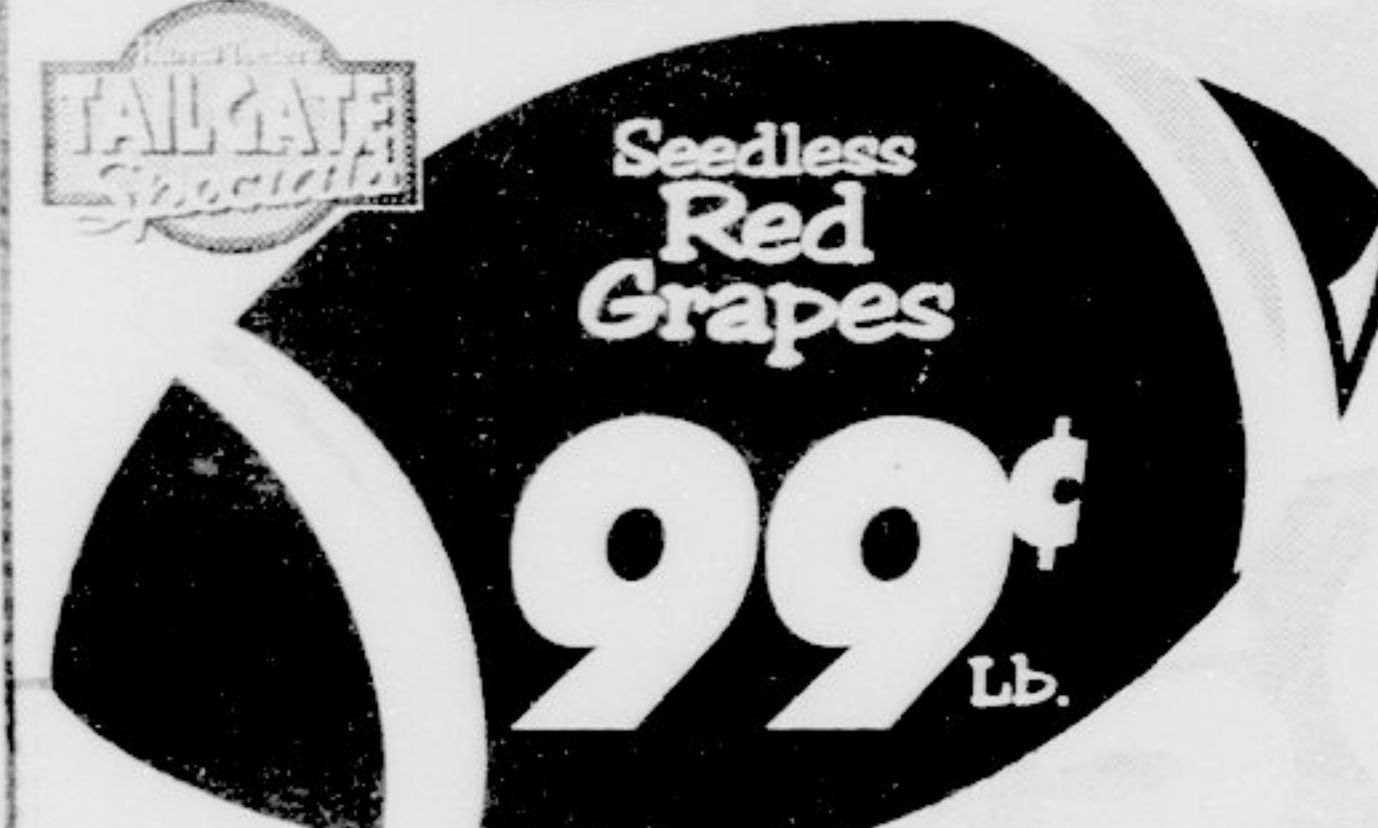
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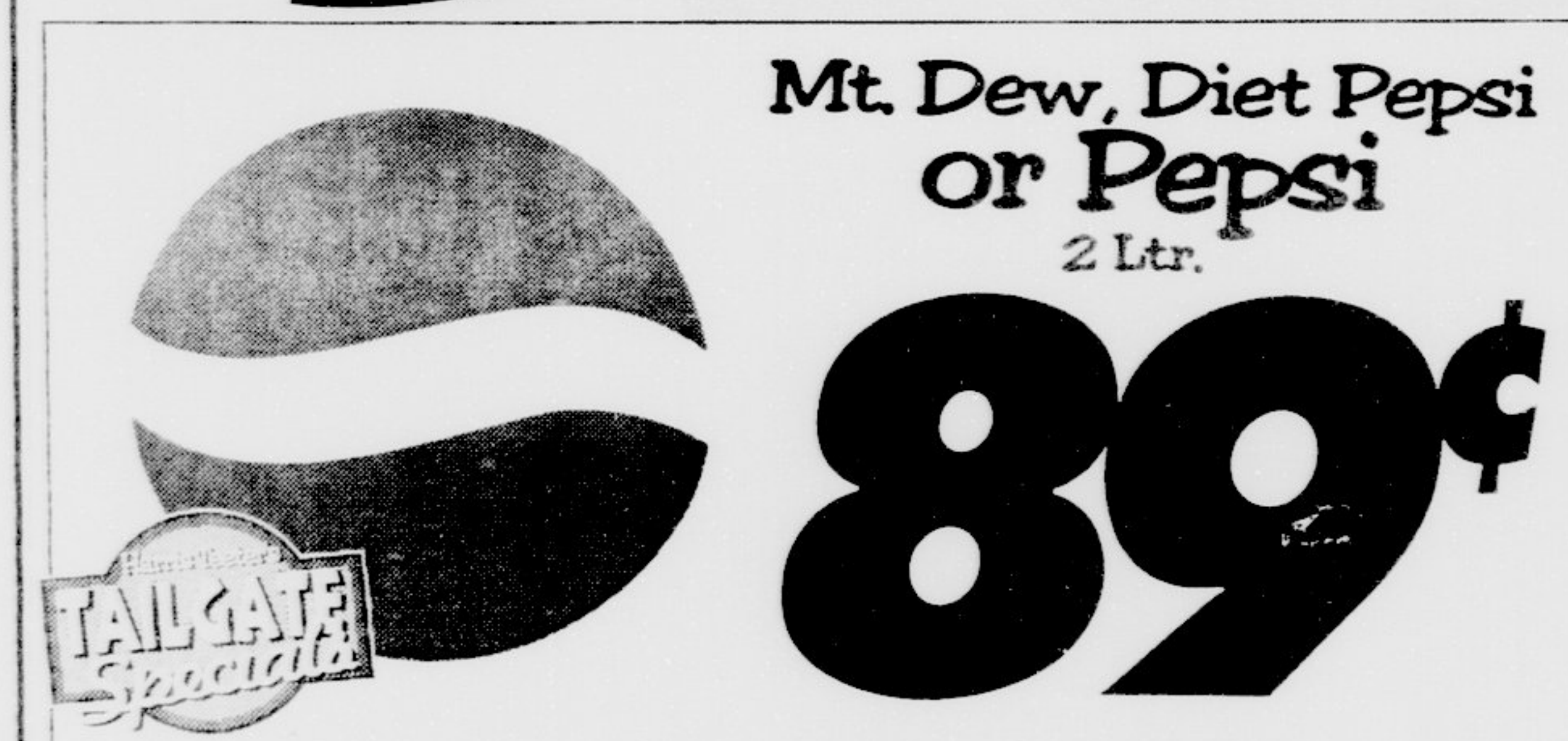
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as UNC-CH and NCSU. "It will be magnificent," VanSant said.

This \$13 million project has received \$3 million in state funding and approximately \$10 million in pledges from alumni and supporters. The money from the state came from a state discretionary account. The money raised for the stadium was part of the Shared Visions campaign.

"[Shared Visions] was a cooperative effort between the Alumni Foundation, Medical School Foundation, and the ECU Education Foundation (Pirate Club)," and raised a total of over \$65 million, according to Mark Hesser, associate director of the Pirate Club.

The total raised was about \$15 million over the original goal of \$50 million.

A second phase of expansion is planned which will add more club level seating and 3,000 end zone seats.

"The second phase will begin as quickly as possible, but will be determined by the availability of money," VanSant said.

The amount of increase in number of seats sold will influence the start of the second phase.

Currently there is no projected starting date for the second phase. The expansion will not only add seats to Dowdy-Ficklen, but it will also change its appearance.

"Number one, the expansion is going to change the entire look of the stadium. There's a real emphasis on the aesthetics of it," VanSant said.

The north side of the stadium,

opposite College Hill, will be enclosed and the light towers that are being removed will be anchored on the upper deck.

Student seating that is normally used will be changed in the fall of 1997, probably to both upper and lower levels.

"The students will not be given inferior seating," VanSant said.

There has been no decision made on whether or not there will be an increase in reserved ticket prices. ECU's current \$18 price is lower than the \$20 to \$22 tickets at other universities.

Although the price of reserved tickets may go up, there will be no charge for student tickets and half-price tickets will still be available.

"There is a possibility of a change in [reserved] ticket prices. As far as the policy of students getting half-price and free tickets, that will not change; that's what your student fees pay for," said VanSant.

Davidson, Jones and Beers is the general contractor for the stadium expansion project. Roddy Jones, of Davidson, Jones and Beers, is an ECU alumni and in the past served on both the N. C. Board of Governors and the ECU Board of Trustees.

"[Roddy Jones] is a big supporter and has a personal interest [in the project]. We, in my opinion, owe gratitude to Roddy Jones," VanSant said.

The construction has begun and along with it, the noise that ECU has been surrounded by since the recreation center construction began.

"I think it sounds pretty," VanSant said.

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discuss plans for the new center. Dr. James Lanier, assistant chancellor of institutional advancement, traveled to Mexico to present the association with the proposal.

"The program is going to serve not only athletes, but also coaches, trainers and athletic administrators," Zauner said. "We will primarily be serving developing nations that don't have the training facilities. However, we will hopefully serve athletes from all over the world."

According to Zauner, a pilot program is going to start out this summer. It will be split into two parts and is going to have approximately 40 participants per section. Each section will last about two to three weeks. The participants will try new techniques in training.

"Since this is only the approval of a concept, we are hoping that we do a good job this summer so we can send these athletes home with a good impression of ECU and the program," Zauner said.

Funding for the program and the proposed facilities will be done by the Association of National Olympic Committees. There may also be funding from the private sector for science test equipment and training equipment. The proposed facility may bring new development to the ECU campus, which may also mean new fields, such as soccer.

"This program will bring new resources into the university," Zauner said. "A lot of the work will be done in labs, giving graduate students access to their field of study. The program may also serve as an academic function for students."

According to Zauner, ECU could have up to 500 international athletes participating in the athletic development program. Athletes and trainers will come to learn from local and international researchers who will be developing new training techniques, then return to their countries with the knowledge to help enhance the development of other athletes.

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tors. The only problem the committee is not worried about is student behavior. Traditionally, behavior has not been a big problem.

"We expect our students to celebrate and to be happy," Rowe said. It is a day in their life that will probably never happen again. ECU students act far better than the students at many other schools. We do appreciate that."

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OPINION

Thursday

Our View

Once again our student fees will probably go up next year. Take a look at where our money goes. "Go Pirates"—all the way to the bank.

In Monday's SGA meeting, the student government voted on changes in student fees for the 1997-1998 school year. Several fee increases were recommended and later voted on by the legislature. The legislature tries not to increase student fees by more than five percent, close to the rate of inflation.

Representatives from the various departments that receive student fees defended each of their proposed increases and answered questions from the legislature. When the representatives stood before the legislature, virtually all the departments representatives were thoroughly questioned as to why they needed the proposed increases.

Except for one department: athletics.

Mike Hamrick, ECU athletic director, asked for an additional \$7 per student next year to "maintain" the athletic programs at their level. This year, each student at this university paid \$235 via student fees directly to the athletic department. Next year, each student will pay \$242 to our athletic department if the increase is approved by the Board of Governors. However, no one who attended the meeting could recall a cut ever being taken by the athletic department in the history of this university.

Hamrick stood before the SGA and one member of the legislature cheered "Go Pirates" as the proposed student fees went up. Other departments defended having secretaries, but Hamrick's department gets close to twice as much money as the next most expensive department and our student representatives cheer him on: no questions asked.

Hamrick did not mention a word about how much money the athletic department received from the nationally televised games on ESPN this year, he did not state how much money was generated for the athletic department by the Pirate Club and he did not tell how much money was generated in season ticket sales.

He doesn't have to. No one bothered to even ask about his department's other sources of income.

Our infirmary's building is broken down and needs to be expanded. Next time you get sick and go to the infirmary, you'll see. Student health requested a \$10 increase and only received \$7. This year, we pay \$130 per student for health services.

Our student fees have been paying for a housekeeping staff at the student recreation center and it's not even open yet.

If this is the way you want your student fees spent, your representatives are doing a bang-up job. Just pray you need your varsity athletic teams to have winning seasons more than you need adequate health care.

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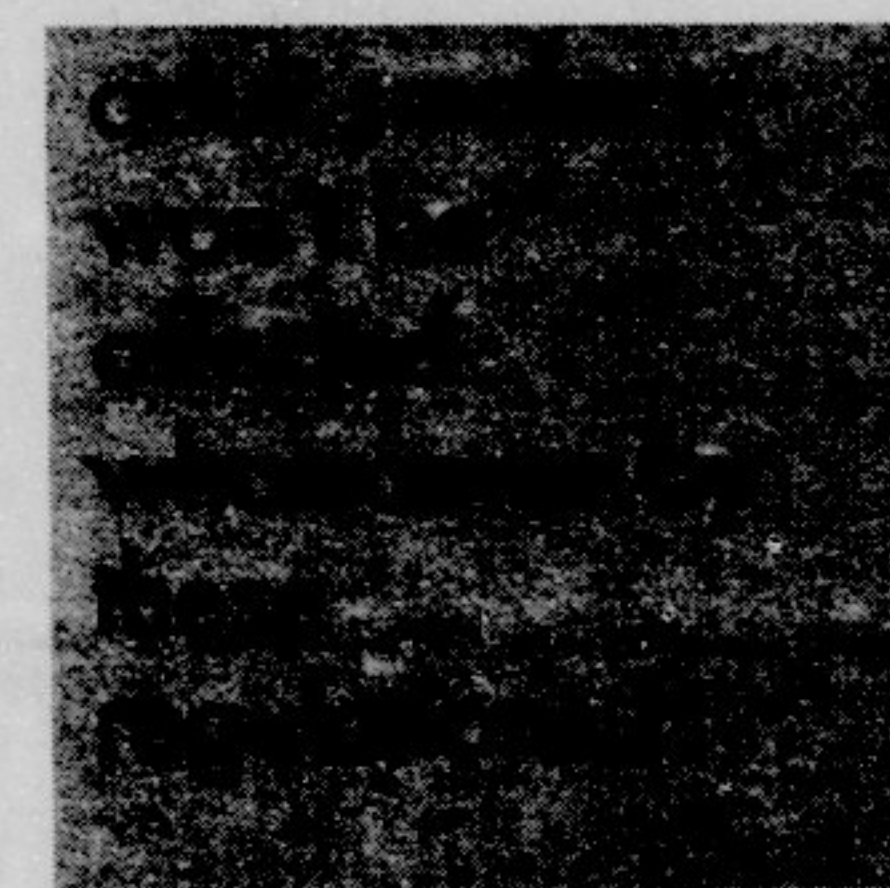
Tobacco regulation good

In North Carolina's Democratic sweep two weeks ago on Election day (except for that certain cantankerous old Senator without a college degree), voters across the country overwhelmingly placed their confidence in the Democratic Party, and President Clinton. Hey, 50 percent of the vote in a three-man field isn't too bad. While America voted to extend Clinton's reign, they also voted in favor of his policies. One such policy that hits home is the FDA's regulation of tobacco. With the proviso that I care deeply for, our hard-working farmers, let's see why this is a necessary step.

First of all, a vast majority of non-smokers and yes, a majority of smokers agree with the FDA plan. The major parts of the plan are to get rid of vending machines where minors can get to them (they'll remain in "adult areas" like nightclubs), require ID's for age-checking, and forbid free samples. Also, billboards are to be banned within 1,000 feet of schools and only black and white text is allowed in tobacco ads in magazines with a greater than 15 percent youth readership (that means no pictures or color in these situations). Finally, brand-name sponsorship of sporting events are limited to using the corporation's name (not the brand), and giveaways/sales of cigarette-related clothing and accessories (hats, t-shirts, gym bags) are prohibited.

All these measures are backed by a majority of people surveyed. In the poll administered by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, for example, 59 percent supported ending billboard advertising, 91 percent favor a ban on vending machines that children can use, and 70 percent support a ban on all promotional items. It's about time we had a President with the guts to stand up to the big tobacco cor-

Larry Freeman
Opinion Columnist



porations, and Clinton has done it. Banning these gratuitous ads will work. It's no coincidence that Marlboro, Newport and Camel are the three most preferred cigarettes by teens. They are also the three most heavily advertised. Hmmm. Isn't it also funny how these three brands, according to a government study, make up 86 percent of the teenage smoking market, yet only garner 35 percent of overall sales? An FDA study showed that in 1989, 71 percent of tenth graders had purchased tobacco from vending machines. Eleven percent of sixth graders have smoked according to a recent USA Today poll. This trend is sickening and it is obviously premeditated.

An important distinction to make is that between our good, well-intentioned farmers and the big, tobacco corporations. Farmers are simply trying to put money on the table, and don't worry, adult smokers won't be affected whatsoever by these regulations. The corporations, however, are exploiting and targeting our children. With the exception of the Budweiser frogs (and underage drinking could be another column), can you think of any other "adult" product that uses cartoon characters to help sell it? McDonalds uses Ronald

McDonald, because it wants kids to buy their hamburgers. It doesn't take a genius to conclude that Joe Camel is a gimmick for children to latch onto. One study showed that 91 percent of six year olds identified Joe Camel as a symbol for smoking. Countless psychological studies prove my point.

This strategy of targetting youth is reprehensible, and our farmers don't like it either. The problem is it will keep happening, if something isn't done. Teen smoking has skyrocketed over the last ten years. Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and several tobacco industry documents prove that tobacco industries KNEW their products were deadly and addictive, and lied to the American people, and tobacco companies target younger and younger users. Almost all first-time use occurs before high-school graduation. Then, economics kicks in.

If tobacco companies can target youths, and if those youths purchase two or three packs of cigarettes a week, well, that's a much bigger profit margin over that child's lifetime than the average smoker. They get five to ten more years of profit if they target a kid, until, of course, that kid dies an early death due to cancer or emphysema. Still, that's forty or fifty years of profit from each kid they capture. It's brilliant! Yes, but it's also sick, and illegal.

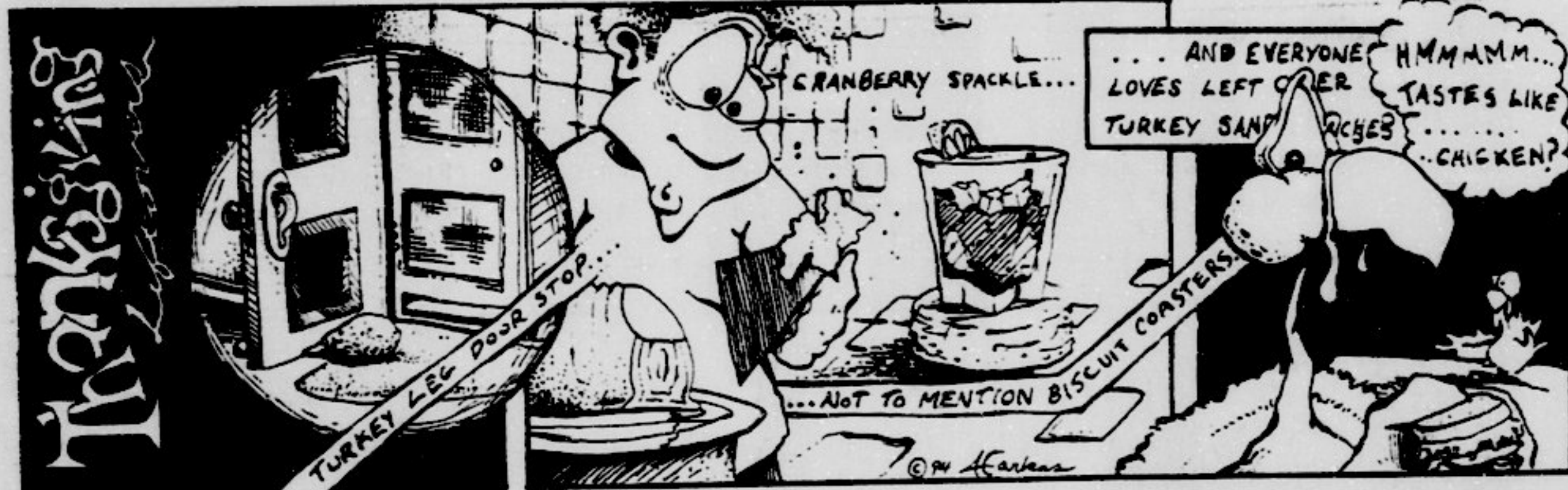
Cigarettes are the #1 killer, killing more than auto accidents, AIDS, alcohol, drugs, murders, suicides, and fires combined. Again, let me stress this does not affect an adult's right to smoke. What it does is stop those sleazy crooks in the tobacco industry from targeting children. I encourage you to read the statistics, read the books describing the years of deception by the shameless tobacco industry. I only wish I had more room, but can we agree that this just might be a good idea?

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— Stephen Leacock, Canadian humorist, c. 1910

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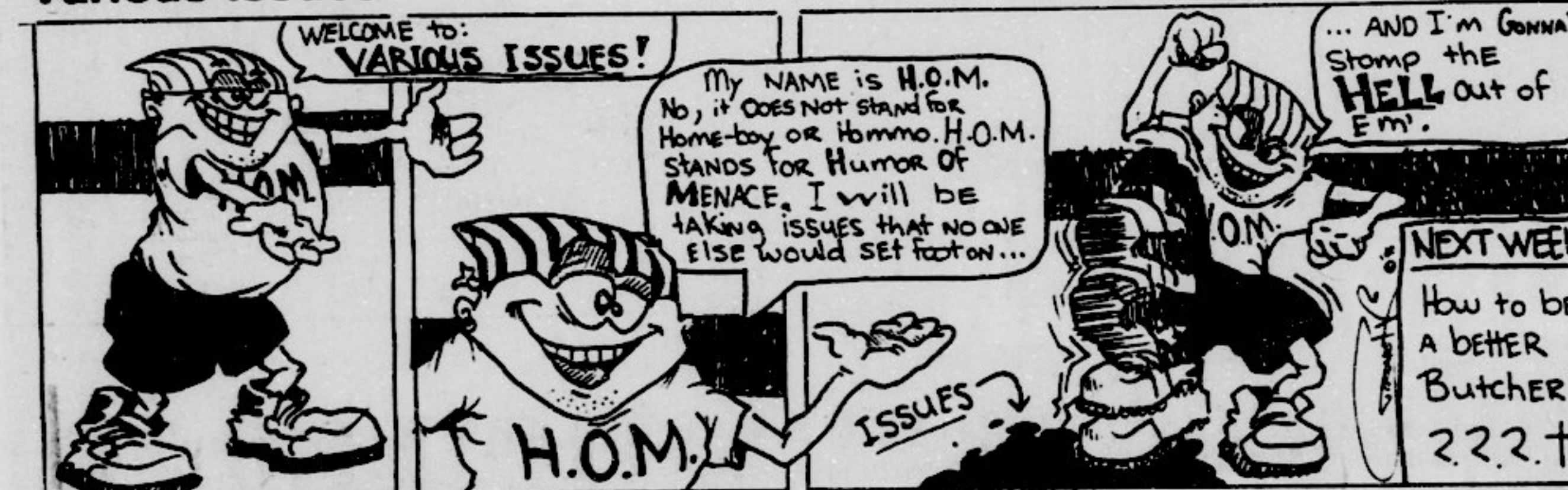
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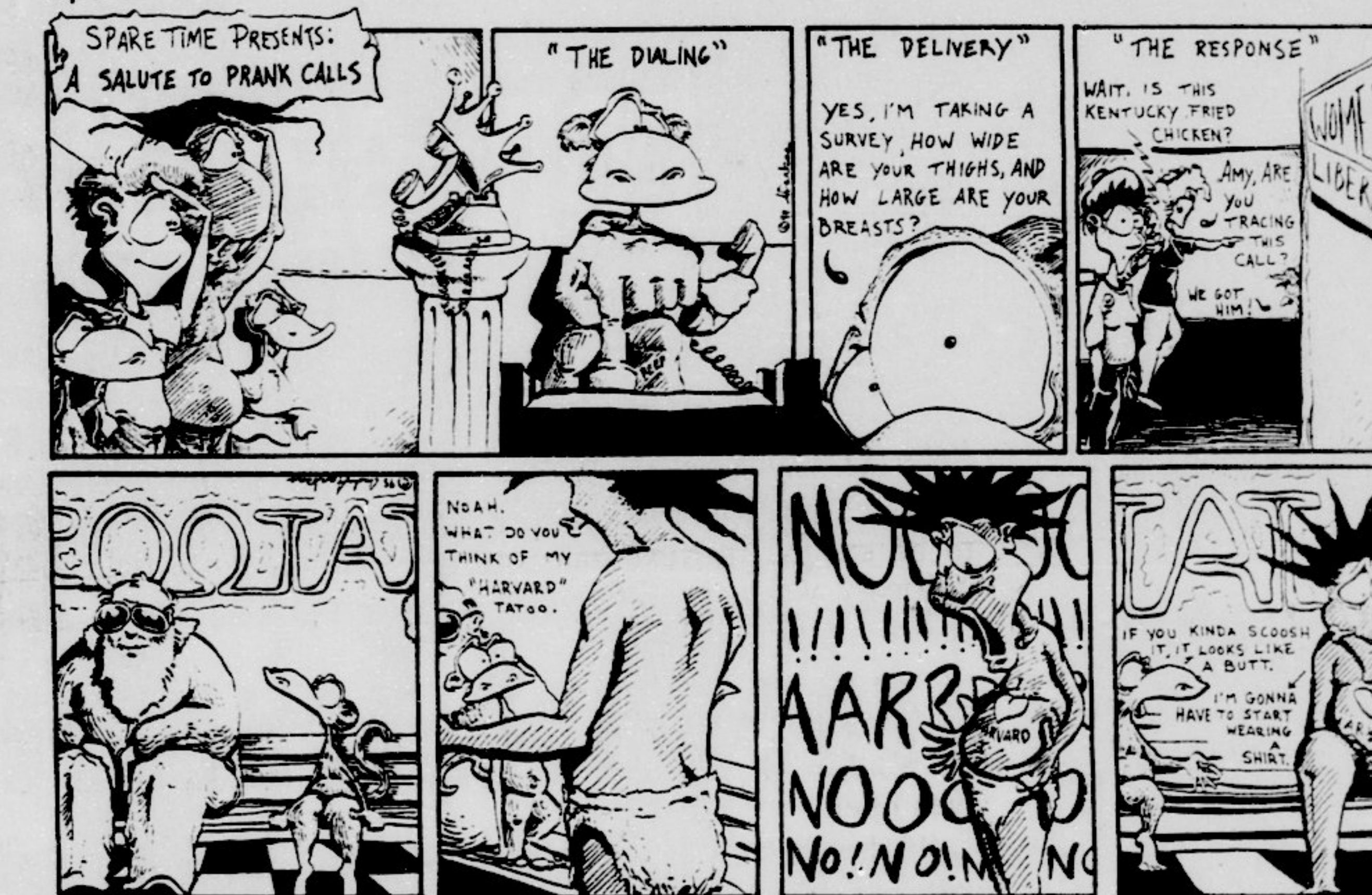
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LIFEstyle



Science fiction hits new highs

Dale Williamson
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

This Friday, the new *Star Trek* movie, entitled *Star Trek: First Contact*, will beam into theaters across the nation, and it is destined to pull in some major money at the box office. Within the last few years, science fiction has experienced a surge in popularity, and the public can't seem to get enough of it. *Independence Day*, which featured some nasty aliens terrorizing our peaceful planet, looks to be this year's biggest box office blockbuster. *The X-Files* was nominated for best drama series at this year's Emmy awards show; and *Star Wars* is once again a profitable commodity thanks to tons of new merchandise and the impending new movie trilogy.

This massive popularity in science fiction does not stop with movies and TV, though. Science fiction is also a vibrant force within the literary world.

Science fiction writing has been popular for a long, long time. Jules Verne and H.G. Wells were dabbling with science as fiction long before George Lucas or Chris Carter became the icons they are now. But, for whatever reason, this popular genre has not been taken seriously as literature. When compared to the other established forms of writing, such as poetry or drama, science fiction is typically seen as childish.

"Science fiction has long been thought of with disrespect, as fiction for children or immature adults," notes Susan Ambert, an English graduate student at ECU who was pulled into science fiction at the age of six when *Star Wars* first hit theaters. "But many respected authors chose this genre for their work. They write intelligent stories for thinking

adults who are not afraid of the imaginative."

Terry Mancour concurs. Mancour is one Greenville author who chose science fiction writing as his creative form. Mancour is the author of the 1992 *Star Trek: The Next Generation* novel *Spartacus*, which went on to become a New Times bestseller. "With any genre at any point in time, you'll have a certain amount of good stuff... In some cases, we have some really talented writers [dealing with science fiction], even here in N.C."

Mancour, who lives in Greenville with his wife and works at Nease Personnel, sees science fiction writing as a perfect way to examine humans and their relation to the future, and this to him is a big reason why the genre has remained a viable form of storytelling.

"Science fiction has maintained a steady popularity since the golden age in the mid '50s," Mancour stresses. "It's hit a high now probably because of the new millennium. The future is staring at us in the face."

This future takes many forms, depending on who's telling the story. While many current hot sci-fi novels paint a picture of a bleak future (just read the *Blade Runner* series for such an example), many others are more optimistic. Greenville resident Matt Davies is a sci-fi fan who sees a positive future through his sci-fi readings.

"When I read science fiction," Matt says, "my mind takes me to worlds just so beautiful I have to pick up another book, then another, just to see where the author will take me next."

Any way one looks at the future, science fiction is, according to

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A Tribe Called Quest and Busta Rhymes at Minges

Jay Myers
Lifestyle Editor

Well, it's just two days until the Tribe Called Quest and Busta Rhymes concert, have you purchased your tickets yet? If not, you might want to skip your skinny butt over to the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall and snatch up a couple of those magic pieces of cardboard before they're all gone. Definitely don't wait until the last minute on this one.

For those of you who don't know (and who doesn't by now, since word spread across campus like wildfire), A Tribe Called Quest is scheduled to headline the Williams Arena in Minges Coliseum this Saturday at 8 p.m. Appearing with Quest will be crazy, big-mouthed rapper/major motion picture star Busta Rhymes.

On the national scene ever since the release of their debut album, *People's Instinctive Travels and the Paths of Rhythm*, in 1990, A Tribe Called Quest has continued to be a ground-breaking and innovative force in rap music. Q-Tip, Phife and Ali Shaheed Muhammed, who make up the Tribe roster, have risen to (and remained at) the top of an industry that is often plagued with flash-in-the-pan, one-hit wonders.

Tribe has released a total of four full-length albums in their six-year career, including the aforementioned *People's Instinctive Travels*, as well as *The Low End Theory*, *Midnight Marauders* and the recent *Beats, Rhymes and Life*, which they are currently touring in support of. Their first album went gold, the following two went platinum, and *Beats, Rhymes and Life* seems to be well on its way to being their best-selling album ever.

Why are they so insanely popular? Because their message is clear. They write music that is intended to cross cultural boundaries, that has a strong lyrical base and that, in short, makes you think.

For example, take some lyrics from their song "Jazz (We Got the...)" from *The Low End Theory*: "Do it for the strong, we do it for the meek... So push it along, trails we blaze / Don't deserve the gong, don't deserve



the praise / The tranquility will make ya unball your fist / For we put hip-hop on a brand new twist."

A Tribe Called Quest is all about peace and understanding from a hip-hop perspective. No gangsta rap is here. No guns, no glory, no fury. They strive to be intelligent and thoughtful when the industry pushes them to act strong and angry.

As Q-Tip (who converted to the Islamic faith this year) said in a recent magazine interview, "The prophet Muhammad said that the best thing for Muslims to do is to seek the middle course. When you seek the middle

course it means you're not too far left. You're not too far right. You're recognizing that you're not perfect. You're recognizing your humanistic qualities, different nuances to your emotions. We make ourselves vulnerable with

the music and everyone can dig that." Go out right now to get your ticket for Tribe and Busta Rhymes. Send a message to the Student Union that you're grateful they're bringing diversity and positivity to campus.



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The Student Union shows their diversity by bringing A Tribe Called Quest (above) and Busta Rhymes to Williams Arena Saturday

21 Thursday

Courage Under Fire at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre through Nov. 23.

Dr. Robert Lee Humber: A Collector Creates Exhibition at Gray Gallery through Nov. 23.

Exhibition featuring the sculptures and wall reliefs of H. J. Jubran in Mendenhall Gallery through Nov. 30.

U.S. Marine Band at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

"Louis Remy Mignot: The Rediscovery of a Southern romantic," a lecture by John Coffey at 7 p.m. in Speight Auditorium.

Funkomatics at Peasant's Café.

WXXC Early '80s Dance at the Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

22 Friday

Star Trek: First Contact opens. Go see it.

The Other People at Peasant's Café.

The Wedding Present at the Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

23 Saturday

Book signing and discussion with Terry Mancour, author of *Star Trek: The Next Generation: Spartacus*, from 4-6 p.m. at Barnes & Noble.

Yep! at Peasant's Café.

Stone Temple Pilots with Local H at the Dean Smith Center in Chapel Hill.

24 Sunday

Memorial concert for James Mark at 4 p.m. in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

Black Crowes at 8 p.m. in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium.

25 Monday

"Chew on This" lecture series featuring "All About Beer" by Jennifer Crouch at 12 p.m. in Mendenhall Underground.

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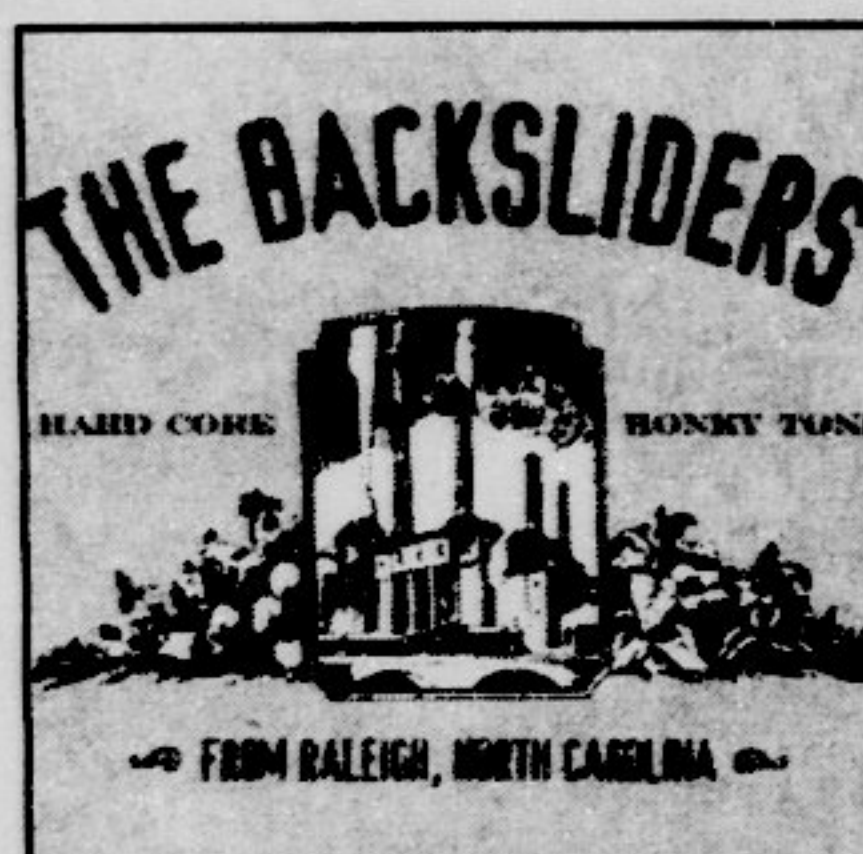
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CD Reviews



The Backsliders ...From Raleigh, North Carolina



The Why Store The Why Store



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Bands like the Bottle Rockets, Blue Mountain, Five Chinese Brothers and the Scud Mountain Boys piss off the label-insistent.

"What are they? Alternative country? Country rock? Alterna-twang? Cowpunk? What, what, what? We need clarification."

The Backsliders, being good old boys from Raleigh, want to appease the tormentors of tag. So, in big ole letters on the front of their live EP *...From Raleigh, North Carolina*, they state forthright what they are: hard core honky tonk.

They aim to prove it. The EP, recorded live this past sum

Who says you have to be able to sing to be a singer? Apparently not The Why Store. Following in the footsteps of the Crash Test Dummies comes this quintet from Indiana with a most unusual sound. The band is musically sound with a sparkling array of six- and 12-string guitar stylings and a tight rhythm section, not to mention a keyboardist who fills in the holes. But these vocals need work.

The Why Store's self-titled debut starts out interestingly enough. While one guitar runs up and down a scaled riff, the rest of the band basically does random warm-ups until they all converge with a driving, raw-edged song. However, this edge fizzles out within seconds, and then all hell breaks loose when the "sing

Some films never make it to the Emerald City. Some are too controversial. Some are too small. Whatever the reason, we just never get to see some mighty good movies on the big screen. When they hit video, however, they're ours for the taking. This series will look at some of the films that didn't make the Greenville cut, the ones that got away...

Dale Williamson
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

The English Patient, the new critically acclaimed film starring Ralph Fiennes and Willem Dafoe, hit theaters this week. But not in Greenville. Our theaters are, of course, very mainstream, so we instead got the Michael Jordan/Bugs Bunny slamdunk buddy film/"commercial" *Space Jam*.

Space Jam, which features live action and animation, Billy Murray and basketball, is destined to be this week's blockbuster hit, but *The English Patient* stands to be one of this year's most praised films as well as an Oscar contender. Chances are, if *The English Patient* does earn a few nominations from the Academy of Motion Pictures, Greenville theaters might carry the film after the Oscars. Case in point, *The Postman* arrived at the Plaza over a year after it was first released, and only because it was an Oscar winner.

My point to all of this is simple enough — Greenville only shows a fraction of the films available for viewing, and much of what our theaters don't show are worth seeing because they are alternatives to the standard Hollywood film. This column exists to showcase films that might otherwise be overlooked by the Greenville community.

Since I, the elitist movie reviewer, had no desire at all to see Michael Jordan play ball with a bunch of cartoon animals, I decided to instead pull from the many titles currently available on video. The movie I found in my hand has left me with an interesting dilemma. What does a reviewer do with a film that doesn't fully meet the expectations one had hoped for, but is still worth seeing because it offers a unique cinematic experience unlike anything seen

in a mainstream movie?

Bernardo Bertolucci has never been a mainstream director, and his most recent film to hit the video market perfectly exemplifies this point. *Stealing Beauty* was a critical hit, and it did get quite a bit of press. The film's star, Liv Tyler (who was also in Tom Hanks' rock-and-roll flick *That Thing You Do!*), was marketed as the next big thing when *Stealing Beauty* came out. Her performance in the film was praised. *Rolling Stone* featured her on its cover, and the media pushed her as this year's symbol of seductive beauty.

As a director, Bertolucci has been cited as one of the most talented visual artists working in modern cinema. His films carry with them a majestic beauty that exudes an epic mood. To put it in layman's terms, a Bertolucci film is pretty to look at.

When one thinks of a Bertolucci movie, one typically imagines something of an epic, something that works on a grand scale. Bertolucci swept the 1987 Oscars with *The Last Emperor*, and his film *Little Buddha* was during enough to cast Keanu Reeves as a spiritual leader.

While *Stealing Beauty* does not qualify as an epic, it still works on more levels than one. The story, written by Bertolucci, revolves around a young American girl named Lucy (played by Tyler) who goes to Italy to stay with some friends of the family. In Italy, Lucy is exposed to an open way of life with which she is not totally accustomed. The people she meets and the friends she makes all indulge in earthly pleasures — constantly. They drink to excess, they dance late at night, they smoke pot, they skinny dip, they lounge around late in the afternoon, they work on their art, and they lose themselves in sex.

On a simple level, the film can be seen as an unfocused exercise in eroticism. On a deeper level, the film can be viewed as an individual's search for identity and one's desire to indulge in the many pleasures life has to offer.

The film doesn't qualify as being "great" because the pacing seems off, some character relationships are foggy,



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annoying pop tunes play throughout much of the movie, and the film's conclusion leaves one unfulfilled. Still, Bertolucci's vision as a director makes *Stealing Beauty* very much worth seeing as an illustrative example of filmmaking of a different sort.

Like a Mapplethorpe photograph, Bertolucci's camera transforms the human body into an erotic work of art. Bertolucci captures the physical beauty of his characters in remarkable ways, even Alex Parrish (played by Jeremy Irons), whose body is slowly decaying due to a deadly illness.

Also standing out are some key performances from the cast. Liv Tyler not only shines as a physical presence but also as a talented actress. She effectively conveys a lost soul who is caught in a transition between the innocence of a girl and the experience of a woman.

As impressive and as central as Tyler is, though, she is almost outdone by the always incredible Jeremy Irons. Even though Irons' character is a background figure who shares limited screen time, he is one of the more complex and interesting players in Bertolucci's story. Playing a dying playwright who is immediately enamored with Lucy, Irons blends his character with lustful, greedy desire and honest, truthful love. Irons breathes vibrant life into a dying character who wants to protect Lucy as much as he wants to overcome her.

Stealing Beauty ultimately succeeds as much as it fails. Bertolucci does create an erotic piece filled with sexual tension. He does paint some delicious

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ing" starts. The voice and the music totally clash, and the weak songwriting does nothing to help ease the rough transition. Things didn't look promising.

"Father" shows the same early promise of its predecessor with a haunting 12-string guitar intro and a wonderful web of guitar loops, but the words get in the way. The only upside is that the vocals don't seem quite as out of place as before. Maybe they fit the song better or maybe they just take some adjusting to, who knows.

One good thing about The Why Store is that they are truly different. Unlike most new bands whose sounds are totally interchangeable, The Why Store has truly unique songs. In fact, at least three of the songs on the album remind me of pub music. It's easy to close your eyes and picture The Why Store in some European pub, playing a jovial song like "Good To Me" or "Nobody" and having all the patrons swaying and drinking and singing along. In fact, the chorus of "Nobody" repeats, "nobody, nobody, nobody, nobody drinks with me" over and over. Songs like these save the album from being a total loss.

That's not to say that The Why Store is all good, either. While they may do Irish drinking songs well, this leaves

them limited. Whenever they try to put an edge on their music or tackle a different genre, they come up short. "Fool's Bargain" and "Sunrise" are two prime examples. "Fool's Bargain" tries to rock but ends up a mediocre, melodramatic mess. Meanwhile, "Sunrise," The Why Store's attempt at blues, goes unchallenged as the album's worse song. Not only are the words and vocals weak, but even the music borders on unlistenable.

Fortunately, the good outnumbers the bad. "Lies" proves to be one of the most well-written songs included here. TWS has an interesting way of saying one thing first and then augmenting it later. For example, in "Lies," the first verse includes the line "A little puppet on a string," while the second verse elaborates the song with "I'm not your puppet on a string."

If I sound like I'm both slamming and defending The Why Store, I am. What they do well, they do really well. But when they don't do something well, they really stink. If any of their stuff sounds interesting, try finding it for free, perhaps from a friend. If all else fails, at least buy it used. Hopefully though, with a little more experience and development, The Why Store's next album will be well deserving of your hard-earned money. I wish them luck.

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visuals with his camera. He does pull some powerful performances from his actors. But Bertolucci's story isn't as realized as he may have intended it to be. I don't expect (and in many ways don't desire) the typical linear narrative exemplified in countless other films. Still, I expect a greater sense of purpose from

narratives than I got out of this one. However, *Stealing Beauty* still qualifies as quality filmmaking, and it illustrates how Hollywood's method of storytelling is not the only game in town. That is why *Stealing Beauty* deserves to be recognized as one of the ones that got away.



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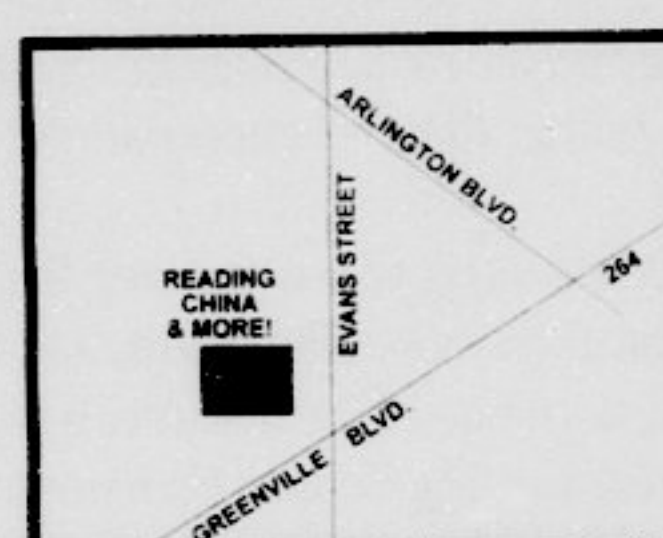
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mer at the Brewery in Raleigh, is a warm-up for the Backsliders full-length debut album on Mammoth Records expected out in January.

Hope January comes soon. Containing only six songs, the EP works you into a quick frenzy and leaves

you lonesome, wanting more. About half-way through, just after the nearly eight-minute long swamp jam, "Hey Sheriff," reminiscent of Dale "Suzie Q" Hawkins and Creedence Clearwater Revival, Backsliders lead singer Chip Robinson asks the Brewery staff (or anyone) to please

turn up the AC. Listeners may find themselves requesting the same sort of temperature toner downer.

Not that all the songs are as sweat-inspiring as "Hey Sheriff," but the Backsliders know how to make the toe-tappers worthy of heat exhaustion, too. The

EP starts off with the back porch friendly "The Pain of Love." "Night after night, she goes downtown where the lonely people go / and she goes through the scattered dreams that the broken hearted know / but before the pain can come her way, she's found a remedy / just one more glass of wine, she says, is all she'll every need." Heartbreak and dependence on drink are not new themes in country music, but sounding like you mean it and know what you're talking about ain't easy, and Chip Robinson does both convincingly.

Complementing Robinson's vocals and acoustic guitar well are guitarist/vocalist Stephen Howell and guitarist Brad Rice, late of the Raleigh-based band Finger. Danny Kurtz (bass) and J.D. (drums) command the gut-thud rhythm section.

On ...From Raleigh North Carolina's penultimate track, the Backsliders drink to the memory of Gram Parsons with their excellent cover of The Flying Burrito Brothers' "High Fashion

Queen," a trashy stomp that the New York Dolls would have done if there was such a thing as hillbilly glam rock.

They end the EP by slugging the Blues Explosion's Jon Spencer as "the rich man's Captain Beefheart" before walling into the last track, "Yep!", ensuring if you haven't already been properly perspiring, you will be before the night is through.

Lucky for you, you can sweat to the twang this Saturday night when the Backsliders open for the Marshall Tucker Band at the Attic.

"But what the hell does hard core honky tonk mean?" the marker-mandators still demand.

Well, I could explain hard core honky tonk in terms of ingredients (one fifth of sour mash, two Webb Pierce albums, a box of safety pins, etc.), but I think perhaps the fellow Triangle defenders of the country cause said it best in song: "So I started this damn country band / cause punk rock's too hard to sing."

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Ambert, "a breeding ground for new science thought ... Sci-fi is an entertaining way to learn about what may be. The best of it ... goes in-depth into the human condition, answers some of our 'what if' questions, and even educates."

Mancour agrees. His favorite sci-fi author is Kim Stanley Robinson, who, according to Mancour, is a "phenomenal writer, able to make astrophysics and microbiology seem romantic."

Like the best writers of any genre, Mancour doesn't forget the human aspect of the sci-fi he writes. *Spartacus* examines such issues as slavery, cultural laws, one's right to freedom, and an individual's struggle with either following orders or following one's conscience — all of which are familiar human problems for the crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise.

Mancour is totally comfortable with his status as a science fiction writer. Science fiction has given him the recognition of being a New York Times best-selling author before graduating from college ("which really pissed my professors off," Mancour notes), and he is slated to write another *Star Trek* novel. "I've been a hard-core sci-fi fan since I was eight ... [and] sci-fi is the only thing I want to do," Mancour proudly states.

Any fan of science fiction who desires to discuss science fiction writing and its future with an accomplished sci-fi author will get a chance this Saturday, Nov. 23 when Barnes & Noble plays host to Mancour from 4-6 p.m. in their store, located on 3040 Evans St. Mancour will be signing his book and leading a discussion on *Star Trek* and any other sci-fi related topic. Mancour will also be signing his book at the Plaza theater in Chapel Hill this Friday night in celebration of the new *Star Trek* film.

If the events planned for this weekend are any indication as to the solid popularity of science fiction, then sci-fi will continue to, in the immortal words of the lovable Mr. Spock, "live long and prosper."

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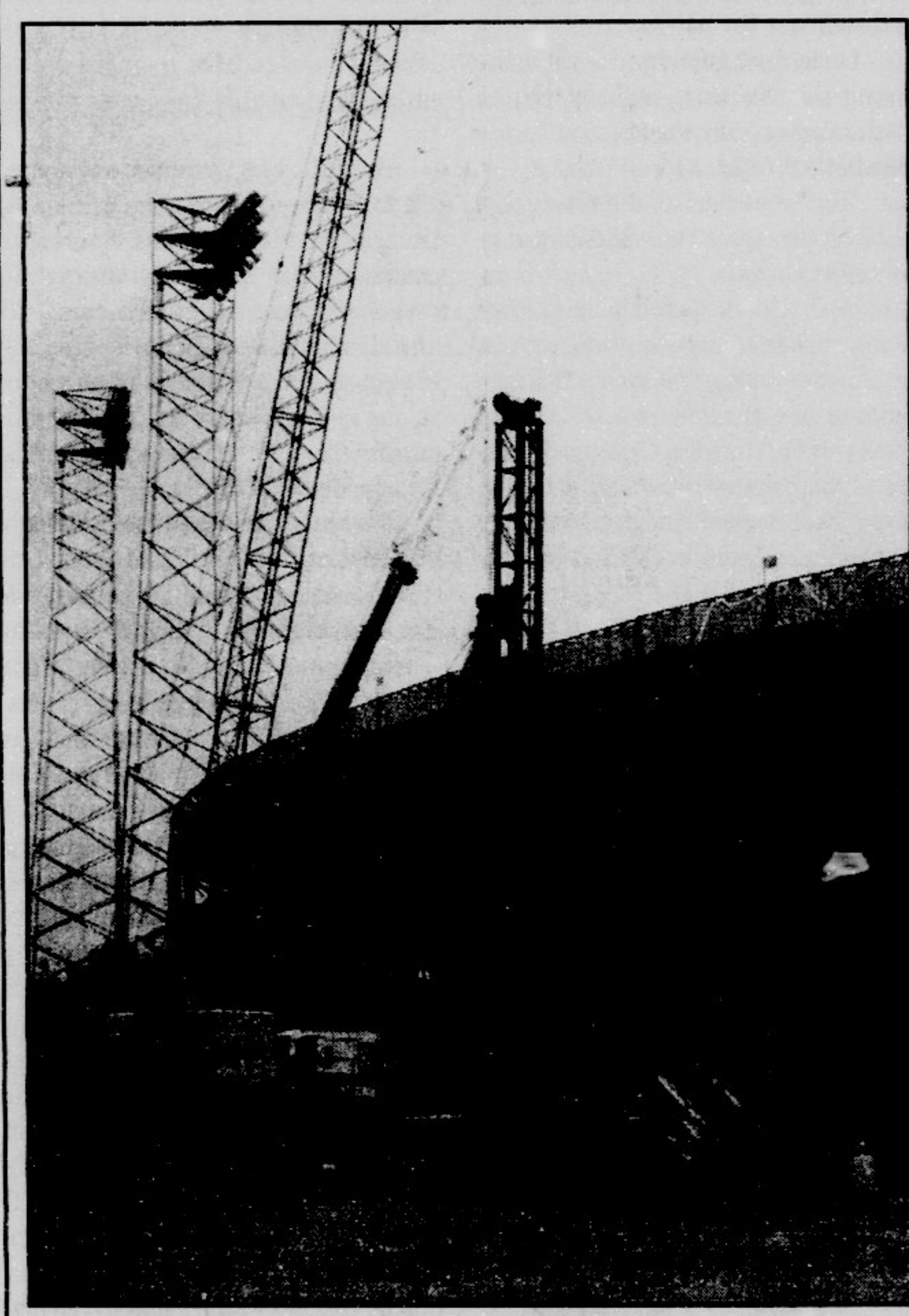
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Pirates hunt for bowl bid

Amanda Ross
Sports Editor

This week it was announced that Houston would be attending the Liberty Bowl after being crowned Conference USA champions. Ironically, the Pirates will head to the host city of the Liberty Bowl as they take on the Memphis Tigers this Saturday.

But don't think ECU is out of a bowl prospect all together. Believe it or not, the Pirates could snag the other slot in the Liberty Bowl. It's a slim chance, but a chance nonetheless. Confused? Read on.

Houston's opponent will be the number four seed from the Big East. However, the Big East has failed to qualify a team for that number four spot. If that happens, ECU's Athletic Director Mike Hamrick believes ECU could get another chance.

"If they have another spot open

this year, I believe they would give us serious consideration," Hamrick said.

There are a number of reasons ECU was not selected as the Liberty Bowl's first choice. The committee selected Houston since they won the conference title. Also, Houston beat Southern Miss and Southern Miss beat ECU.

"It was no surprise," Hamrick said. "Houston was Conference USA champions — that was one of the main factors."

Bob Martin, who sits on the Liberty Bowl Committee, said they wanted to invite someone else since ECU had gone the past two years. Also, as mentioned above, the other opponent should be from the Big East and they didn't want to see a rematch between ECU and a Big East team.

Tight end Scott Richards thinks that they should just allow fate to take its course.

"We just have to keep winning these last two games and let stuff just

pan out for itself," Richards said.

ECU is still in contention for a bowl. The Independence Bowl, for which Army has been, does have ECU on its list, along with the Copper Bowl and of course, the other slot in the Liberty Bowl.

Defensive tackle Buck Collins believes that hard work will see ECU into its third consecutive bowl game.

"We're just going to do the best we can to try to get to another bowl game," Collins said.

Martin said despite the absence of ECU, the committee still regards the Pirates very highly.

"We hold East Carolina in absolutely the highest respect," Martin said.

ECU and the Liberty Bowl have been going hand-in-hand the past two years, and Hamrick believes that they have been good for each other.

"We've been good for the Liberty Bowl and the Liberty Bowl has been good for us," Hamrick said.

Teams hit the road for games

Amanda Ross
Sports Editor

The men's and women's basketball teams will hit the road this weekend to play in their first regular season games.

The men will have a lot of traveling ahead of them as they open up the season at Fairfield, Conn., then come back down south to Boone, to visit Appalachian State. But the stint is over after that. One more trip up north is to Halifax, Nova Scotia to play Boston University. This is all in a one week span. They play Nov. 23, 26 and 30 respectively.

Head Coach Joe Dooley said his players are ready to hit the court and start the season.

"The players always look forward, more so to the season starting, than the coaches," Dooley said. "I'm one of those guys that I'd probably like to take another two or three weeks and practice."

Dooley thinks his squad is ready for some competition. "I think we have come to the point as a staff that the kids are ready to play," Dooley said. "They have hit each other as many times as they can and they're about ready to hit someone else."

The practices have produced some good results in Dooley's eyes.

"The guys have played with a tremendous amount of energy," Dooley said.

As with any squad, senior leadership skills are a must and Dooley likes what his seniors are showing him.

"The senior leadership in the six years I have been here, this is the best we have had," Dooley said. "We've got a strong group of seniors."

The seniors will have to put those skills to use as they skip from state to state to begin regular season play.

"In coaching I think this is a difficult way to start the season," Dooley said.

But he is trying to remain optimistic about the trip.

"What's bad about it is the fact we're having to travel, we have all these games without much time to really prepare," Dooley said. "The good part of it is we're spending a lot of time together. Saturday the men will tip off against Fairfield at 7:30 p.m."

The Lady Pirates will travel for their regular season opener, but not as far as the men. They open up at Appalachian State Nov. 23, then head to Raleigh to take on the Lady Wolfpack of N.C. State Nov. 26. On Nov. 30 they head up to South Orange, N.J. for the Seton Hall Tournament.

Entering her second year as head coach, Anne Donovan is looking forward to a productive season with positive results.

"We are really excited about this season," Donovan said. "We feel really good about the players we got."

Those players are a mix of veterans and newcomers who Donovan feels will make a good combination — seven newcomers and six returners.

The Lady Pirates will be hindered with injuries this Saturday. Jen Cox most likely won't see action, while Nicole Mamula and Mary Thorn have been out of practice for four days with knee injuries.

"We travel to Boone very unsure of who exactly will be healthy, come Saturday at eight o'clock," Donovan said.

Despite the uncertainties for the first game, Donovan is confident that her team will take their game to the next level.

"But I tell you, we've got a great group of girls who are very excited about taking the next step and turning this program around," Donovan said. "I think we've got the kind of quality kids, quality students and the quality players that can help us take the next step."

The Lady Pirates will take on some tougher non-conference opponents this year than in years past. They will play N.C. State, Wake Forest and UNC-Charlotte just to name a few. That was an important aspect of preparing the team for the tough conference schedule the Pirates will face come January.

Old Dominion, a conference foe, is projected as number one preseason in women's basketball in some polls.

"When you've got Old Dominion and James Madison in the conference you better be prepared come January," Donovan said. "I don't think we felt we had that last year."

The Lady Pirates will play at 8 p.m. in Boone Saturday. Both the men's and women's teams will return to Minges Coliseum on Dec. 4 for a double-header, home opener. The Lady Pirates will tip off at 6 p.m. with the men to follow around 8 p.m.

irates host Ultimate frisbee tournament

Mike Daniska
Staff Writer

This weekend, ECU will host Ultimax XXVII, an Ultimate Frisbee tournament, on the intramural fields behind Ficklen Stadium.

Ultimax is held during the club season in the fall and the school season in the spring. The club season is considered more difficult because club teams generally have more experience and have been playing together longer.

A total of 16 men's and eight women's teams will be competing for the tournament title.

"This tournament is just basically for fun," Irates' member Tim Doran said. The ultimate frisbee has a rich tradition of winning with the current and former players.

The Irates have won the past three spring editions of Ultimax. Also in the men's division, the X-rates, a collection of ECU alumni who formerly played for the Irates, are ranked first.

"The X-rates are a bunch of good, older Ultimate Frisbee players who used to go to ECU," Doran said. "They have a really good team because they are experienced."

The X-rates provide some good competition for the Irates, according to Fuller Reeves who plays for the Irates.

"We usually try to schedule the X-rates to play us," Reeves said. "It's sort of like a homecoming for them. When we play them, we just go out and have fun."

The Raleigh club team, Ring of Fire, and the Wilmington club team, Port City Slickers, are ranked second and third respectively, while the Irates are ranked fourth in the tournament.

Other teams are traveling from the Washington, D.C. area and Virginia to compete. In the past, teams have come from as far away as Minnesota and California.

"We like to have the most wide variety in competition," Doran said.

This year's tournament will be a

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Photos Courtesy of Tim Doran

(Top) Becky Ross, right, wards off her opponent while, (Bottom) Josh "Pouch" Poucher stretches for the frisbee.

Volleyball team prepares for CAA tourney

Tracy Laubach
Staff Writer

The CAA women's volleyball championships are scheduled to be held this weekend at UNC Wilmington. The Lady Pirates are determined to go into the tournament and fight their way to the win that will close out their season.

The first match of the championship for ECU will be against James Madison. Shannon Kaess, a freshman from Minnesota, is confident that the team is capable of defeating the Dukes by playing to their potential. Although JMU has claimed victory over the Pirates in the past, it is expected that the fight for advancement in the championship will be intense. Either team could walk away the winner.

"Our record certainly does not reflect our potential," Kaess said. "Our skill level is much higher than our record shows."

Teammate Julia D'Alo expects to see a great amount of offense from the opponents.

"JMU attacks a lot from the right side of the net from behind the setter," D'Alo said. "The technique is more difficult to defend because it is so uncommon and there is a high risk for making errors because there is less room to work with. They don't have a big team, but they are very physical, and they have a lot of depth."

Each member of the volleyball team carries with her a good amount of experience. What they are lacking is a good amount of experience together as a team.

"We all have very strong skills," Kaess said. "Now we just need to make our talents connect. We have been inconsistent because our team hasn't been working together long enough to make the most of our skills."

The team is also at a disadvantage due to its size. While the average team carries about 12 players, there are only seven girls to represent ECU.

"We started our season with 10 girls and unfortunately, we have lost three players since then," D'Alo said. "Having such a small team has been hard because not only do we have no

room for injuries, but we are also forced to work much harder out on the court."

Since six girls play throughout the game, only one player can sit out at a time. Practices are more challenging because it is difficult for the team to scrimmage, which is the essential key to success for most clubs.

"It's really hard to run drills during practice," senior Captain Kristen Woodruff said. The only time we have the opportunity to play an actual six-on-six game is when it counts."

It is predicted that the team will be much stronger next year. They are hoping to have 12 girls on their roster at the start of the season next fall. Having more people will give them more skills and strengths to build on.

The girls expect their upcoming weekend in Wilmington to be full of challenges, but coming out on top of JMU is definitely a realistic goal. Their showing at the tournament could end up surprising a lot of people.

"Earlier in the season when we played JMU, they beat us, but we made

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1st and 10 Notes

- ✓ ECU and Memphis will be meeting for the seventh time.
- ✓ The Pirates lead the series 4-2.
- ✓ ECU beat Memphis last season in Greenville 31-17.
- ✓ Two weeks ago Memphis handed, the then ranked number six Tennessee Volunteers, a 21-17 loss

ECU vs. Memphis

Quarterback Quadry Anderson has moved into the top 10 all-time passing yards at Memphis.

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1991 - ECU, 20-13 at ECU

1992 - UM, 42-7 at UM

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1994 - ECU, 30-6 at UM

1995 - ECU, 31-17 at ECU

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combination of club teams and school teams.

"Of the 16 teams, eight are club and eight are school," Reeves said.

In the women's division, UNC-Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Pennsylvania will be represented, as well as two teams from Wilmington.

Laura Beers, of the ECU women's team, believes the Helios have a good chance of winning.

"I think that we will do well," Beers said. "Especially against the college teams."

Earlier this year, both the Irates and the Helios competed in the N.C. sectional tournament in Wilmington. The Irates placed third, advancing them to the regionals in Philadelphia. They finished behind the first place Wilmington Port City Slickers and the second place team, Raleigh's Ring of Fire.

"The whole team did really well in the sectionals," Doran said.

However, playing in cold 40 degree temperatures and in the rain and mud, the Irates failed to advance against the more seasoned club teams in Philadel-

phia.

On their way to a third place finish in the sectionals like the Irates, the Helios defeated N.C. State, UNC-CH and Duke. In the regionals, the Helios were unable to place in the top two, which is required to advance to nationals.

"The club season is pretty difficult for us," team captain Hobbes Wolcott said.

Throughout the demanding fall season, players from both teams have been able to help take their respective teams to the next level.

In practice, players continue to pump each other up and push everyone to do their best.

"Fuller Reeves has continuously fired us up in practice," Doran said. "Almost every practice, he is wired up. He always makes stuff fun. He is able to get people to do their best. His whole attitude towards Ultimate and the Irates is intense."

That goes for the women too. "Lindsay Kollconay gets everyone motivated emotionally, and Hobbes gets everyone motivated physically," Helios'

Sarah Boudreau said.

After Ultimex, both the Irates and the Helios will be getting ready for the spring season, hoping to improve from the fall season.

"I'm really looking forward to school season in the spring," Boudreau said. "We will be playing people who are our peers, near the same skill level. I think that we can make the nationals."

Teammate Beers agrees. "I think that we are going to do real well in the spring," Beers said. Both the Irates and the Helios

would like for everyone to come out this weekend and support them.

"I like to say to women, not to be intimidated by an athletic sport like Ultimate, to come out in the spring and try it," Beers said. "If you have ever heard about it and want to find out what it means to play Ultimate, then come out this weekend."

The tournament is this weekend from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday and from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Sunday.

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such a strong, positive showing," Kaess said. "We won the second game 15-4 and the third and fourth games were so close."

According to D'Alo, a native of Pittsburgh, the most rewarding aspect of being a member of this young team has been sticking with it and continuing to work hard.

"The season has had its share of disappointments and at times has been frustrating," D'Alo said. "But by hanging in there and fighting together as a team, we have learned a lot."

And so as the season closes out with the CAA tournament, no one can say for sure how the team will stand in the end. But one thing for sure is that this season has been a great opportunity for learning, and the girls are looking forward to growing in the future.

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