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Board of Governors approves 600-seat dining hall for west campus

*Building cost projected
at \$7.4 million*

MOHAMED HUSSEIN
STAFF WRITER

Students on East campus won't be the only ones to benefit from a spacious new dining hall after plans for a West campus dining hall, are completed.

At the present time, Mendenhall Student Center houses the main dining hall of west campus. Mendenhall, first built in 1974, is still in good use today, but is being moved in order to provide more room in the Mendenhall Student Center.

The dining hall will be located on the west end of campus. It will include a 600-seat dining hall and a food court adjacent to Reade Circle, where the amphitheater is located. The food will be prepared and served by Aramark, a multi-

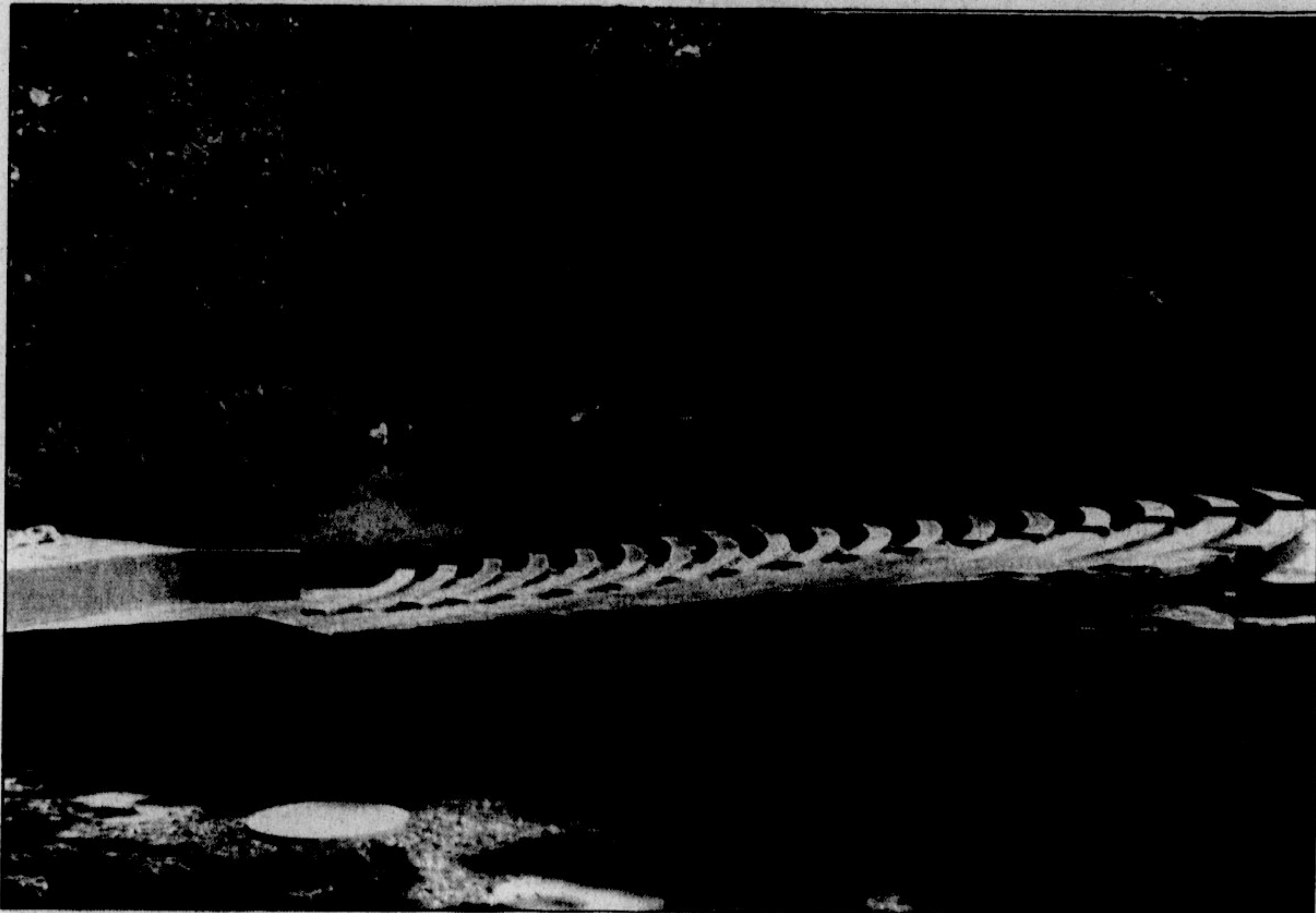
million dollar food service company already contracted with the university.

"Construction would not begin for another year," Brown said. Brown expects the dining hall to be of the same caliber as Todd Dining Hall and a major improvement to ECU's west campus.

Recently, the Board of Governors of the UNC system approved spending more than \$92 million on construction projects at eight UNC campuses around the state. Of that \$92 million, \$7.4 million will go into constructing a new dining hall at ECU.

The money for the projects is coming directly from the sale of revenue bonds. The bonds are to be repaid from income earned by the facilities through rent, direct sales or fees.

"The bonds keep the university's dining hall improvements moving forward," said Richard Brown, ECU vice chancellor of finance and administration.



West Campus's new dining hall will be built in the area between Clement and Fletcher Hall where the old amphitheater now stands.

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Transit approves raised GPA

*Requirements upped to
2.3 for managers*

WILLIAM LELIEVER
STAFF WRITER

The university student transit authority met Wednesday. Topics of discussion included the academic probation policy, a cellular phone policy, the 1998-99 budget, and the maximum hours and salary for student managers.

Joey Weathington, student transit adviser, proposed changes to the transit academic probation policy, which were accepted. Transit managers are now required to keep a 2.3 overall GPA instead of the previous 2.0 criteria. Drivers will be warned if their overall GPA goes below a 2.3. Transit managers will be relieved of their position if their GPA goes below a 2.3, but may still work as a driver.

"This addition to the existing academic probation policy will help students become more concerned with their grades while holding a management position," Weathington said.

Two cellular phones will be supplied to the transit system. According to Stephen Wright, transit manager, it will allow the drivers' of charter buses that go beyond city limits to reach the Greenville office. The phones will cost about \$7.95 a month to use.

"For safety concerns on charters we need cell phones when the buses go outside of Greenville," said Craig Jackson, operations manager. "The buses run outside the city during the summer 20 to 25 times a month, and during the school year four or five times a month. We also have an employee going to different towns to drop off or pick up retail, buses and equip-

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Lawsuit alleges commissioners biased over PCMH privatization

*3 residents cite
conflict of interest*

JENNY VICKERS
STAFF WRITER

Many Pitt County Memorial Hospital and Pitt County Commissioners are adamantly proclaiming the benefits of becoming a private, not-for-profit hospital. Despite these assertions, three residents of Pitt County have filed a lawsuit against them claiming that several commissioners cannot make a fair decision due to conflicts of interest in favor of privatization.

Because Pitt County Commissioners, who have close connections with and within PCMH, elect the consultants to advise them on the hospital's privatization issue, several Pitt County residents claim that there will be biases involved in the issue of privatization.

According to Gene Tranbarger, associate professor of nursing at ECU and former president of the North Carolina Nurses Association, the change will benefit the residents of Pitt County.

"PCMH will continue to serve the indigent regardless of its organizational status because this is an integral part of its mission," Tranbarger said.

Pitt County resident Nancy Colville, one of the citizens who has served the commissioners with the lawsuit, claims that the issue is not whether they will continue to care for the indigent, but rather who will pay for it.

"The cost of indigent care is negotiable," Colville said. "They



Many controversial issues stand between the public and Pitt County commissioners regarding the privatization of Pitt County Memorial Hospital, located on Stantonburg Rd.

PHOTO BY SAMANTHA SNYDER

are already putting a dollar amount on how much they will cover. If they claim they will continue to provide indigent care for all, why are they placing a number on it? Eventually, if the hospital doesn't have enough money to cover indigent care, they could retain consultants and plead that they can't pay. The county is not obligated to pick up the cost, but morally, they will have to. This means the property tax owners will have to pay more in order to compensate."

Colville feels a lot of the benefits are misleading. "People are misleading," Colville said.

"I have official documents to back up what I am saying," Colville said. "Who are you going to believe, a person who just talks about it or a person with documents to back them up? A car salesman will sell any car."

Arlen Holt, hospital information

officer, feels that the privatization is the best course of action.

"The County feels it is in the best interest of the citizens to reorganize under N.C. General Statute 131 E-8," Holt said.

Colville disagrees and wants residents to be more concerned about the privatization issue. She said she feels that once PCMH ceases to be public, a lot of negative things will occur in the community.

"They will be able to put leans in patients who can't pay their bill in full," Colville said. "This means that they can force you to sell your house if you don't have the money. As a public hospital, they are only allowed to invest in safe investments. When they become private, they can invest aggressively in the stock market. This is a risk because

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Hewlett Packard invites ideas for web site

*5 openings available
for U.S. students*

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STAFF WRITER

The Hewlett Packard (HP) Company has recently announced a contest inviting engineering students to offer their input and ideas for a new Hewlett Packard educational web site.

"We currently have an award-winning web site that meets the needs of engineering educators, but students need something different," said Marsh Faber, education program manager of HP's Electronic Measurements Division. "A select group of tomor-

row's engineers can help us create a web site that will benefit engineering students worldwide."

There are 11 openings available in this contest, five of which are opened to students in the United States. Eligibility extends to college sophomores and juniors.

"I think it is difficult to offer the contest to seniors," Faber said. "At that point, seniors are more concerned about graduating and getting their first jobs."

However, HP does offer something for graduating seniors. Marsh said that HP will send a free book to the student's first job entitled The First Job Survival Guide by Andrea Sutcliffe. Just send your name and the job's address to the HP web site.

For sophomores and juniors to participate in the contest, they must submit a two paragraph essay to the

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Library Science degree not accredited by American Library Association



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*Program graduates
can't work at Joyner*

CAROLYN ROBBINS HYDE
STAFF WRITER

Students attending ECU in the library science program might have a big surprise when they apply for jobs after graduation.

The master of library science

degree at ECU is not accredited by the American Library Association, a qualification that is required throughout most of the country for the positions of librarian within universities, private research, medical research or various government jobs.

Though it is possible to obtain a job without the accreditation in North Carolina, the degree is not acceptable for most library positions elsewhere in the United States. It is normally not sufficient to meet eligibility requirements for a faculty position as librarian, even at Joyner Library on campus.

In 1989, Dr. Lawrence Auld, current chairperson of the

Department of Library Studies and Educational Technology, came to ECU in an attempt to secure ALA accreditation. A self-study was conducted here at ECU, praised by the dean at that time as "brilliant." However, the ALA refused reconsideration. Unfortunately, accreditation was never accomplished.

"The issue of ALA accreditation was dropped several years ago and is no longer an issue," Auld said.

When questioned as to the benefits of having this degree, Auld stressed that ECU's library science program is approved through the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, thereby giving

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news briefs

UNC's Wegner steps down as law dean

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Judith Wegner, dean of the University of North Carolina law school for nine years, will step down next year and return to teaching at the school.

Supreme Court rejects request to allow May 5 elections

RALEIGH (AP) — A three-judge federal panel that declared the 12th Congressional District unconstitutional indicates in its detailed order that the district probably can be tweaked rather than totally redrawn.

Kevorkian brings corpse to suburban Detroit hospital

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Police are investigating the death of a Missouri woman whose body was brought to a hospital by Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

O'Grady to speak to WVU graduates

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — Captain Scott O'Grady, an Air Force pilot shot down over Bosnia in 1995 will be the speaker at West Virginia University's graduation next month, school officials say.

Iraqi abuse likely to continue if sanctions are dropped

GENEVA (AP) — Saddam Hussein's atrocities against Iraqi citizens probably would continue even if the United Nations drops sanctions against Iraq, a key U.N. human rights expert said Tuesday.

Government paper brands U.N. rights report on Iraq silly

GENEVA (AP) — International sanctions have not prevented Saddam Hussein from summary executions and other atrocities against Iraqis, and the human rights situation is deteriorating, a U.N. expert said recently.

Student Health Center offers emergency contraception



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Treatment must be taken within 72 hours

MELANIE HACKWORTH
STAFF WRITER

Females at risk for an unplanned pregnancy have the option of using emergency contraception through the Student Health Center. The treatment must be administered within 72 hours of an unprotected sexual encounter.

Emergency contraception consists of a high dose of hormones in the form of eight pills that reduces the risk of pregnancy by 75 percent. The emergency contraception offered by the SHS is not the controversial "abortion pill," RU-486. Contrary to reports in common fashion magazines, women cannot simply overdose on birth control pills as a method of emergency contraception.

"People just think they can overload on their birth control prescription and be fine," said Heather Zophy, health education coordinator. "Individuals need to go see a

health care provider for the prescription instead of just reading an article."

Birth control pills are not a sufficient substitute because only certain brands of pills can be used for emergency contraception.

Women in need of this service are those who have engaged in unprotected intercourse, those that have encountered a failed form of birth control (ex. a broken condom), or women who have been sexually assaulted.

To obtain access to emergency contraception, a woman must make an appointment with a health care provider at SHS within 72 hours of the unprotected act.

The appointment will consist of a visit with a nurse followed by counseling by a health care provider. Occasionally a pregnancy test or a pelvic exam must be administered.

A pregnancy test is \$5 through the SHS. Emergency contraception pills are \$8.

"Typically you don't need a pelvic exam, you just need to talk with a provider," said Kathy Whitehead, family nurse practitioner with SHS. "You need to know when your last period was and generally what your cycles are like."

If emergency contraception is prescribed, the provider will explain its use and side effects to

the patient.

Not every woman is a candidate for this option. A provider will evaluate the patient's family history in addition to other factors to determine if the patient should have the pills.

The concept of emergency contraception is controversial because of the debate over when life begins.

A typical pregnancy happens when fertilization occurs in the fallopian tubes and the fertilized egg travels down to implant along the walls of the uterus.

Emergency contraception works by inhibiting implantation of a fertilized egg in the uterus. Many believe that life begins with initial fertilization, others with implantation.

"Typically it's not a pregnancy until the fertilized egg implants in the uterus, but the controversy still there lies," Zophy said.

Medically, a pregnancy will not show on a test until implantation has occurred.

Emergency contraception is completely voluntary and other options are discussed in detail by providers.

The SHS is open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Weekend hours are 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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for-profit or private for-profit hospital, there is little difference," Colville said. "They're both operating for money."

Tranbarger feels differently about the matter.

"To those who fear that privatization of PCMH will limit access to care or lower the quality of care, I can say with a level of assurance that there is nothing magic about public or private hospitals," Tranbarger said.

Tranbarger feels that privatization is also important to ECU because most of the health science student education occurs at the hospital.

"Students and families must rely on it for care," Tranbarger said. "East of I-95, PCMH is the most comprehensive care giver and the entire region's health requires it to function outside of Pitt County."

The plaintiffs in the lawsuit feel that some may be pressured into voting.

"Vice Chairman Thomas Johnson, a professor at ECU, under whose umbrella the medical school

the stock market rises and falls. The hospital has the potential of making or losing. If the money is lost, then where does that leave the hospital?"

Colville said she feels that a reduction in services will occur if PCMH becomes private.

"Millions and millions of dollars are put into subsidiaries in other counties that are losing money," Colville said. "This will debilitate the financial strength of the hospital and cause a reduction in services."

A statement made in a PCMH manuscript states: "The PCMH you have today is practically identical to the PCMH you would have if this reorganization takes place. But it would be stronger."

Colville feels this is a biased statement.

"Whether you are a private not-

Website

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HP web site at http://www.hp.com/info/student_web between April 15 and May 31. The first paragraph should be on why the student thinks he or she should serve on the HP Student Advisory Council. The second should mention some ideas on what should be on the web site.

"Each paragraph shouldn't exceed 100 words," Faber said. "We want the contest to be easy to enter."

The winners of the contest will

receive an all-expenses paid trip to Colorado from Aug. 8-14, stay at the Boulderado Hotel, and get to participate in local outdoor activities such as white water rafting, hiking and horseback riding. They will also receive a tour of the HP facilities and serve on the HP Student Advisory Council, giving advice and ideas on the web site. Winners will be monetarily compensated for all the ideas given for the web site.

The web site will not be completed during the week the students are in Colorado.

"A good web site can't be designed in a week," Faber said. "The ideas will form the foundation for forming the site."



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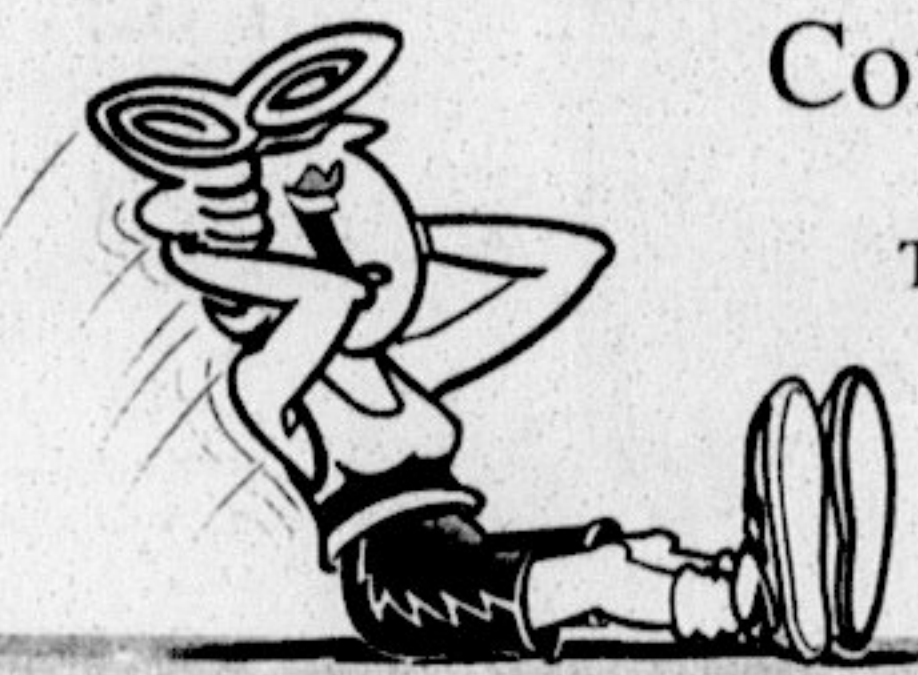
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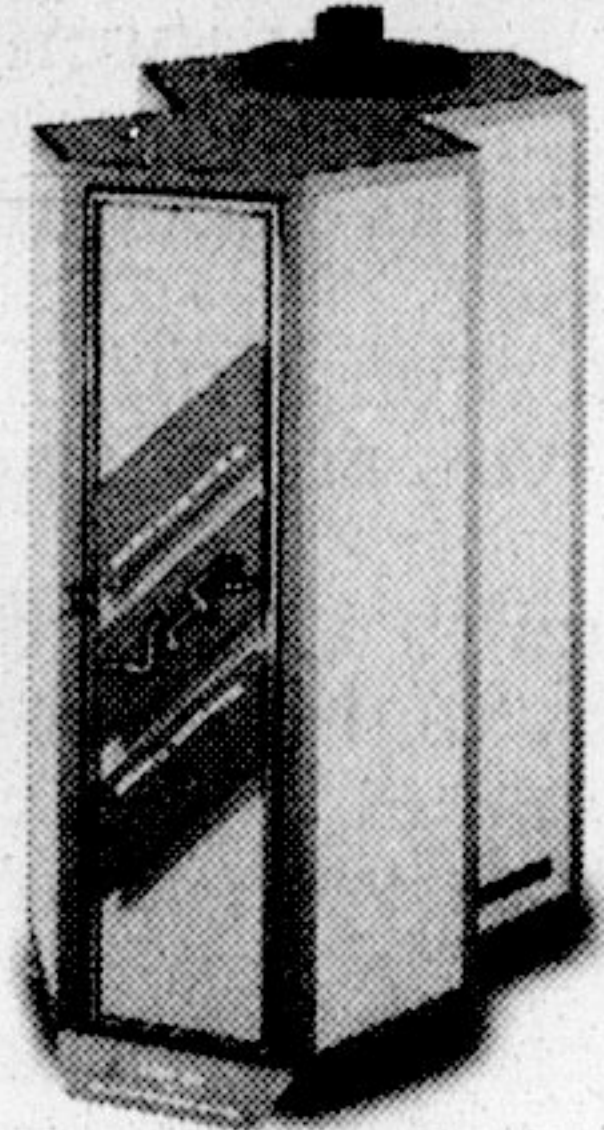
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graduates the ability to secure a job
in school media.

"Our chief strengths have always
been school media, preparing
school librarians," Auld said.

There are three universities
within the NC educational system
which are ALA accredited: UNC,
UNCG and NCCU.

Wes Daughtry, library technician

assistant 1, is a 1993 graduate of
ECU's library science department.
Daughtry was already enrolled at
ECU in the master's program when
he realized the program was not
ALA accredited.

"I was 2/3 of the way through
the program when I realized it was
not ALA accredited," Daughtry
said. "I still continued with the
program, though, because I have no
plans for moving out of state."

Both Auld and Daughtry said the
master's degree in library science at
ECU is appropriate for those who
choose school media and academic
settings.

Transit

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"Most ECU students receive
\$1500 a semester from their jobs;
the transit managers receive \$1500

a month," said SGA Treasurer Lisa
Smith. "Managers must realize that
school is number one; their job is
number two."

The proposed budget was pre-
sented by Weathington to "break
even" for the 1998-99 year, which
was a change from previous years.
The 1997-98 deficit was over
\$172,000 which, according to
Smith, is unreasonable to run a
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Our View

So you got a little crazy last night, and now you are wishing you hadn't. The ECU Student Health Center now has "the morning after" pill available, but according to pharmacist Donna Joyner, this procedure is not one to make a habit.

"There are dangerous side effects if the morning after pill is used too often," Joyner said. "It can lead to blood clotting, and it is not intended to be used as regular birth control."

The emergency birth control pill is sometimes mistaken as a second-hand type of abortion. Joyner promises that this is not the case.

"The pill prevents a fertilized egg from implanting in the uterus. This is not at all an abortion because if taken within 72 hours, you are not actually pregnant yet."

The morning after pill is available at the Student Health Center for just \$8, and can be taken up to 72 hours after unprotected sexual intercourse.

"The pill is most effective if it is taken within 24 hours," Joyner said. "But it is by no means 100 percent effective. It reduces your chances of becoming pregnant by about 75 percent."

Tablets are taken initially and then again 12 hours later. The side effects? You can expect extreme nausea and vomiting for a day or so in most cases. Other side effects such as severe headaches, blurred vision, speech problems, or severe leg pain are possible but not common.

Be aware, the morning after pill is available, but its purpose is not to replace responsibility. If you are sexually active, use condoms or another form of birth control so that you can avoid this situation all together. "The biggest thing that we are stressing is that the emergency birth control pill should not be used on a routine basis," Joyner said. "It is not healthy to make a habit of it."

OPINION Columnist

Britt
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Preacher means spring's here



We are lucky to be one of the campuses blessed with a deranged holy man. For most of us, he provides a wonderful comic relief for our lives.

You don't truly know that spring has sprung until the crazy preacher comes to town. It makes me smile to see him on the mall ranting and damning us all to hell, because I know that his very presence signifies that summer will be here soon. With the kind of screwed-up weather that this place has, he's about the only indicator we have. It's a phenomenon on college campuses Bible-belt wide that is scientifically unexplainable, but frighteningly consistent.

Every year it's the same. The crowd gathers 'round, all googly-eyed like they're in the freak tent at the carnival. It's reminiscent of the olden days when large windows were built on the lower floors of insane asylums so that after church on Sundays people could stroll down and look at the crazies.

What I don't understand is the people who get really upset over him. I mean, it's fun to taunt him by saying things like "What's God think about all that prison time you did?" and "How does God feel about you beating your wife and kids, Mr. Preacher Man?" But some folks out there actually take the things he says seriously.

You don't take the insane seriously unless they have a weapon. How many people get worked up over the guy on the bus swatting invisible flies? The guy in your hometown who is convinced he's the chief of police? The Spice Girls? They really can't help it. All we can do is smile and nod, and thank our mothers for not being on crack when we were conceived.

Now, I'll be the first to admit that when you have somebody who thinks he's the messiah and has stockpiled an arsenal of firearms and a small infantry of looney tunes, you've got a problem. But

for the most part — if you keep the implements of destruction out of their hands — those who are a few bricks short of a load can't really harm those cognizant enough to realize that these chaps are nuts.

I think that we should just let them be. If they feel like catching a ride on a comet, who are we to stop them? And who knows, those Heaven's Gaters could be looking down on us from Hale-Bopp right now, thinking we are all lunatics.

We are lucky to be one of the campuses blessed with a deranged holy man. For most of us, he provides a wonderful comic relief for our lives. For some, he challenges their patience and tolerance, which is ironic since he possesses neither of these qualities. And for the easily excitable among us, he builds vocal cord strength.

If you really want the demented preacher on the mall to go away (which would be really painful for me — every time I look at him I think of how few weeks we have until classes end), then the best idea is to keep from him that which he craves the most — attention. If he upsets you so much, just treat him like that unpleasant itch in your underwear: ignore it, and it will disappear eventually.

should know the difference between right and wrong and should be held responsible for their actions. Even if the case is that their parents didn't raise them any better, they should still know the difference between right and wrong.

I don't and probably never will understand insanity like that. I would just like to know what is wrong with people and society today.

Jim Phelps



OPINION Columnist

Jeff
BERGMAN

Carter not man for Raleigh job



Carter's got some problem with people like my readers and myself. We are ... students...evidently we are the problem.

As Ronald Reagan said about us, "Well, there you go again." I have no idea what that means, but the crowd seemed to love the saying. I go again, about politics.

Thanks to a conservative lawyer, the primaries may be put off until later this year. The primary election was supposed to be held on May 5th. I did not even want to write about the primaries. Yeah, go figure, me not wanting to write about politics.

The reason I write is that I am scared, truly scared. In one State Senate race, an outrageous possibility exists. Two men are facing off in the election: Bob Martin and Ed Carter.

Martin is a nice guy. I have actually met him and liked what I saw. When you tell someone who is in politics you are with the press, you are usually treated with the utmost ass-kissing. Martin treated me with respect before I told him what I do.

City council members and others in or running for office usually treat me with respect after not before I tell them. But Martin was different; I really liked him. Not to mention he has a great voting record for some causes that I like. I will not name them; I do not want to come off sounding like a press release or campaign commercial.

I would not even write about Martin if his competition did not scare me. Ed Carter is challenging Martin for his Senate seat. During elections I tend not to listen to promises and proposals; instead I look at the past. Voting records and what people try to do while in office are a more accurate way of telling what politicians will do.

Carter was mayor of Greenville for one term. After the one term Carter was promptly voted out of office.

Carter's got some problem with people like my readers and myself. We are East Carolina University students, faculty and administration; evidently we are the problem. A plague so much facing the country that we need to be contained.

For some of us enrolled in East Carolina now, 1989 and 1990 were high school years. If you were an East Carolina University student in 1990 you would feel the same way I do about Mr. Carter.

In case some of you do not know Downtown was closed off for a couple of Halloweens. The scene downtown was different; a lot more people came into town. MTV even mentioned the party that went on here. The party got big, and some people came to the party with dubious intentions. Guns were

found, more fights than normal, so Carter decided to take action.

Carter closed downtown for Halloween. It seemed like a good idea, until parties broke out all over town. Instead of having one central location, the police now had to deal with several different locales. This resulted in a few clashes between the people and the police.

I think Carter really likes students, he just wishes they would participate more in politics. His answer: call out the National Guard and hope a few students were shot, thus students become politically active. But, that is just what I think.

Along with the National Guard, Carter wanted to help bring crime down in Greenville. Carter was trying to secure funds for the police department. While raising money Carter made a few suggestions to the Greenville City Council. Some of his proposals were rather, for lack of a better word, idiotic. One idea sticks out like Michael Jackson at the million man march.

The suggestion was to establish a citywide curfew from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. I really like to go outside and play some ball, sometimes after 6 p.m. With that curfew people like myself would be criminals. As conservatives like to say, if you outlaw balls only criminals will have balls. He claims to be for civil liberties, but any civil libertarian will balk at such ideas.

Carter is what I like to refer to as extremist. A proposal to impose a type of marshal law is not what this city needed and definitely not the person for the job in Raleigh.

OPINION Columnist

Grant
WHITLEY

Advice for intramural experience



I encourage everyone to participate in intramural sports. The number of sports available is incredible...

can report that the glove's texture and flavor are outstanding, while the flank steak is durable and withstands lots of hard throws. Renting a glove from the Rec Center has its advantages and disadvantages as well. Advantage: it's free; disadvantage: you're not five-years-old.

I don't know who buys equipment for the Rec Center, but I'd like to put forth some suggestions. If a glove has pictures of comic book characters on it, it's too small. If it says something like "Saf-T-Gluv" or "My First Spalding," again, it's too small. I mean, come on, this is East Carolina UNIVERSITY! Anyone whose hand would fit in the glove I got thinks a party school is one that has a trampoline and a big sandbox.

Tip number two: Pick a position. Remember it's not whether you win or lose, but where you play the game. If you have comprehensive dental insurance, catcher is the way to go. Having played catcher, I know what the position entails. Basically you stand behind some alpha male who takes care to miss your head by several inches. Occasionally he will miss the ball, and it will hit you somewhere on the face because you have your eyes closed, imagining that the bat

is further away from your head than it actually is. Check for loose teeth, throw the ball to the pitcher, repeat.

Tip number three: Size up the opposition. If you sign up for the easy league, your team will be the only one in the league that is actually bad. The other teams are composed of people who were sick during Major League tryouts, and people who thought their huge muscles would restrict their movement. The conversations sound like this.

"Yo, dat wuz a good hit, Vinnie."
"No friggin' way, Lou. Da cover's still on da ball. Next time I'll moider it."

Knowing your enemy's weakness will lead you to victory, rather than causing your team to be a realistic hitting drill for Lou and Vinnie.

All kidding aside, I encourage everyone to participate in intramural sports. The number of sports available is incredible, with even dodgeball being offered. Rumor has it that Parking Services will be sponsoring a ticket-writing competition. Points will be awarded for style and number of tickets written, with bonus points awarded for players who ticket legally parked cars. I'm already signed up!

LETTER to the Editor

Children should be tried as adults

I am writing my opinion on what should be done to the two kids who murdered all those people at a school a while back and on the juvenile law of the United States. The judicial system in this country leaves a lot to be desired. I think that kids 13 and up should be held responsible for their actions and suffer the same consequences that any other offender faces when performing the same crime.

Children that age should know the difference between right and wrong unless they are mentally ill. I

don't see anything wrong with sending them to a juvenile detention center until the age of 18, but after that they should be sent straight to a state penitentiary and serve time like any other adult offender.

The two boys who committed that heinous crime should be sent to a detention center until they reach the age of 18 and then sent to a state penitentiary and serve their sentence there. I also believe that they should be tried as adults because, like I said before, they

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Everyday Life

By Mike Litwin

HEY GUYS! I MET THE MOST INCREDIBLE GIRL THIS MORNING!

IT'S ABOUT TIME. YOU'VE ONLY BEEN HERE TWO YEARS.

YEAH, RIGHT. QUOTE: SO ASSEUT-PAWDED, YOU'VE PROBABLY FORGOTTEN EVERYTHING BUT WHAT SHE LOOKS LIKE.

OH, CALIFORNIA, MAN! PEEDE. I REMEMBER. REMEMBER SHE'S LIKE THE GIRL OF THE DREAMS.

SHE'S HERE ON A SCHOLARSHIP FROM OUT OF STATE. SHE'S MAKING IN DESIGN, BUT SHE'S TAGGED IN LIKE EVERYTHING SHE'S REALLY SMART AND CREATIVE AND SHE HAS A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR. SHE'S GOT LONG BROWN HAIR AND THESE BEAUTIFUL BUCK EYES.

YOU FEEL LIKE YOU MIGHT GET LOST IN. AND SHE LAUGHED AT ALL MY JOKES. EVEN THE REALLY STUPID ONES.

BOY, THAT REALLY NARROWS IT DOWN!

HAR, HAR. MAKE ALL THE SMILES REMINDS YOU WHAT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE ME DOWN.

MAN, I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE CRY THAT HARD.

...OR DOES THAT SOUND?

Lippy Lady

Lippy Lady found a handgun on a park bench one day.

There was a note attached that said "pull trigger to dispense yummy candy into your mouth."

With great joy, Lippy Lady proceeded to do precisely what the tag said. She loved yummy candy.

Upon the gun's discharge, Lippy Lady noticed a bright light, and she felt compelled to move towards it.

Inside this compelling light, all the birds looked like people.

As Peter handed her a rule book. It told her to do things like sing, be happy and play hoops!

As Lippy Lady hated hoops altogether, she refused to follow the rules.

All of a sudden, Lippy Lady found herself in a much much better, nastier place. She said "Where the Hell am I?!"

CYBER BUNNY

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Seventeen Days in May

A Special Message From Your Friends at 17 Days:

Let me start off by apologizing, over the Easter Break I saw The Boat Movie. I just had to see what everyone was talking about and imagine my surprise when the boat sank and 1500 people were turned into delicious frozen dinners for our ocean inhabiting friends. Anyway the movie has made hundreds of millions meaning only one thing: A sequel.....

From those who brought you Speed 2, Diehard 3 and Leonard Part 6, Here comes.....

TITANIC 2

The Revenge

Rich Cornwell

ACROSS

- 1 Hamatite and galena, e.g.
- 5 Punch
- 9 Past prime, breadwise
- 14 Open slipper
- 15 vera
- 16 Tint
- 17 Making picks
- 19 "The Cloak" or "The Bat," e.g.
- 20 Citadel of Moscow
- 21 Throbs
- 22 Behold
- 23 Twenty
- 25 Roller blade
- 28 Brewed drinks
- 29 Lip
- 32 Bible book
- 35 Web location
- 36 Exist
- 37 Dines at a diner
- 39 Actor Duryea
- 40 Ice mass
- 42 Nike, Reebok, et al.
- 44 Fill too much
- 45 Dispatch
- 46 Sierra
- 47 Requirements
- 49 Tended tots
- 50 Cringes in fear
- 53 Flag-raiser
- 57 Apso
- 58 Hepburn film
- 60 Buenos
- 61 Slow flow
- 62 Involved with
- 63 Largessa recipient
- 64 Catches sight of
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- 1 Siberian city
- 2 One with regrets
- 3 Model
- 4 For all appearances
- 5 Composer Erik
- 6 Lena or Ken
- 7 Cellmate
- 8 Beer barrel
- 9 Use elbow grease
- 10 Naked to the waist
- 11 Pub choices
- 12 Traditional wisdom
- 13 Memorable times
- 18 "Fawcett Towers" star
- 21 Nocturnal marsupial, casually
- 23 Annual cycles
- 24 Went by dogout
- 25 Wound surfaces
- 26 Divided Asian nation
- 27 On the qui vive
- 28 Gave 10 percent
- 30 Gave a hand
- 31 Ringo or Bart
- 32 Intuit
- 34 Gives lip
- 38 Mexican menu item
- 41 New York river
- 43 Noisy grasshopper
- 48 Expunge
- 49 Wise ones
- 50 Dressed (in)
- 51 Buckeye state
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- 58 Mayday letters
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Answers from Tuesday

SLUMP GODS JOSH
LEROI AURA ARIA
YENTL GRID CALL
OLD SLIPKNOT
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CD reviews



Kevin Gordon

Cadillac Jack's #1

Son

8 OUT OF 10

ANDY TURNER
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

You have to be good to write good songs about nothing. You have to be even better to write good songs about something.

Kevin Gordon's better.

Cadillac Jack's #1 Son is the Nashville-based musician's debut album on Shanachie Entertainment. Produced by E-Street Band member Gary Tallent, the album is a dazzling effort, highlighted by blue-collar rock-n-roll storytelling, the sort the Boss himself has used to scorch a many of listener's heart and send a many of ass in motion. Think Springsteen if he was from the country instead of urban New Jersey.

Gordon is a hell of a songwriter, and some pretty important folk think so. Rockabilly hero Sonny Burgess recorded Gordon's "Fast Car" and All the King's Men, a supergroup featuring Keith Richards, Levon Helm, Scotty More and D.J. Fontana, did another Gordon number, "Deuce and A Quarter."

But he doesn't need legends to give him credibility; *Cadillac Jack's #1 Son* is testament to his ability and a hell of a testament it is.

You won't forget the characters in Gordon's songs. You know 'em. There's Pauline, who "in her mama's dress stands underage/staring through the windows of the Hip Parade/banging on the backstage door." There's Lucy and Andy, lovers on the lam, who, "with a little coffee and some nicotine, they pack an overnight bag and lock the screen/if that motor turns over, forever's gonna be a long ride."

Then there are the nameless narrators of songs like "Heaven and the Hanging Tree": "I ran from every preacher's hand who ever towered over me/hungry to hold me under that water, grinning little white teeth/at night I'd whisper prayers like secrets, to something above/struggling for simple love, and hoping to be." There's the juvenile adventurer of "Over the Levee": "River rat shacks, hobo fires/seen my life flash in a gator's cold eye/Indian mounds and slave tombstones/through the land of the dead and the wild we'd roam."

The music is just fine, too. "Looking for the Killerman" sounds like the Blasters in their glorious early days. A piano-driven stomper, the song is among a handful ("Fast Train," "Blue

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Pacer

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Nova

5 6 7

Dart

8 9 10

the ones that got away



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...

French film smart, funny

MARK BRETT
SENIOR WRITER

8 OUT OF 10

I really wanted to slam something this week. I mean, really. I've been writing too many positive reviews lately and I'm feeling the need to get a little bile out of my system.

Unfortunately, I'm reviewing *Irma Vep* today, and I just can't rally



Hong Kong actress Maggie Cheung stars as Maggie Cheung in *Irma Vep*.
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to the attack. It's such a good-natured little film. Going after it with the critical knives would make me feel like the worst kind of Revlon vivisectionist, removing Thumper's eyes to see if the hair dye damaged them any. So I guess I'll have to play nice. Damn it.

Here's the set-up: *Irma Vep* is a French film starring Hong Kong actress Maggie Cheung (*Heroic Trio*, *Jackie Chan's Police Story*) as herself,

hired by a French director to play jewel thief Irma Vep in his new remake of the French silent film classic *Les Vampires*. Got that? It's Maggie Cheung in a French film about Maggie Cheung making a French film. Those whacky Frogs.

I'd like to tell you that this concept is contrived and confusing, and that *Irma Vep* suffers for it. I'd like to say that the film is just so much artistic puffery, and should be

avoided by any right-thinking film connoisseur. But I can't, because *Irma Vep* is actually a nice, understated comedic character study.

It's a quiet little film about the cast and crew of the doomed *Les Vampires*, with Cheung at the center as a sort of stranger in a strange land. Cheung ... oh, that's too formal for this film; I'll just call her Maggie. Maggie doesn't speak a word of French, you see, and so she

is excluded from most of the conversations going on around her. She does speak English, thankfully, and so can speak with the bilingual members of the crew. But she still spends much of her time smiling in confusion as the tumultuous production goes on around her.

It would be nice to be able to say that this role is beyond Cheung (that's Cheung the actress, as opposed to Maggie the character). I wish I could make some snippy comment about her sticking to the Hong Kong action flicks, where she can act with her good looks and stunt doubles. I'd love that. But unfortunately, Maggie — er, Cheung — is excellent in *Irma Vep*.

Granted, she is playing herself, so maybe the quality of her performance shouldn't be so surprising. But the way she captures that feeling of polite confusion is fun to watch. Mostly, I suppose, she comes across as a very genuine character, trying to stay out of all the internal squabbles going on around her.

If I were inclined to be harsh, I suppose I could say that *Irma Vep* only gives us an ego-stroking, idealized version of Maggie Cheung. Maggie becomes an object

of fascination for the *Les Vampires* crew. She seems somehow perfect in their eyes, precisely because she stays out of all the petty bickering going on around her.

But *Irma Vep* is a smarter film than that. Maggie stays out of the squabbles because she's on strange ground, and because she can't understand most of the arguments

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Student Union announces Barefoot lineup



Barefoot (April 30) offers a diverse lineup this year with old-school rapper Biz Markie (top), Chapel Hill's Southern Culture on the Skids (right) and the Blue Rags (left).

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A few tips to keep out prying eyes

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Protecting your privacy on the net

JOHN DAVIS
ASSISTANT LIFESTYLE EDITOR

Well, it'd be nice if, just for a few years, us college students could be sheltered from the big, bad world of hungry vultures. But it just ain't so. The Internet is a perilous place. Nasty, suspicious folks of all sorts can snoop in all sorts of ways.

We have "cookies" for example, which are little programs that web sites download onto your computer that give marketers all sorts of personal information: race, age, sex, web sites hit, etc. These are nasty, but not as creepy as just plain old electronic peeping toms. Most of you don't realize that Internet stalkers out there can probably read your e-mail.

Again, it'd be nice if ECU would be a little forward-thinking and provide means to keep our e-mail private, but we, unfortunately, have an administration that favors the peeping tom philosophy. Therefore, if we want to keep the Constitutional rights to privacy ensured to us by the First and Fourth Amendments, we're going to have to take our own measures for the time being.

A simple, quick way to at least make it troublesome for the higher-ups to invade our privacy is to

utilize the password options on word processors. It works like this: Write your message in a word processor (such as Word, WordPerfect, ClarisWorks, etc.) that you and the recipient of your message have in common.

After you've written it, click on the "document summary" option under "file." There'll be an option called "set password" or something like that. Click on this and type in a password. Then, use a phone or snail-mail and let your recipient know of your password. Finally, mail the word processor file as an attachment.

This is not sophisticated at all, and any tenacious administrator can get a computer geek flunky to decode this fairly easily. But it will make them have to work to read your stuff.

There are also a few Freeware programs you can download off the Net. One of the best is written by PGP (Pretty Good Privacy) at http://www.nai.com/default_ppg.asp. There are actually several good privacy programs on their web site. The better ones obviously cost money, but your privacy may be worth it to you. Information about PGP can be obtained at this site: http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/hypertext/faq/usenet/pgp_faq/where-is-PGP/faq.html. You might want to hit this site before you commit to any downloading, if for no other reason than to find out if this software is compatible with the e-mail programs you use.

There is also a nice site called The Anonymizer (<http://www.anonymizer.com>), which strips your e-mail of all identifying information so you can send anonymous messages.

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Edwin McCain at the Attic
Jazz night at Staccato
Hobex, SKWZBXX at the Brewery in Raleigh
Rhudabega, Rhonda Bailey at Local 506 in Chapel Hill
Big Joe at The Cave in Chapel Hill
Townes, Sci-Fi at Lizard and Snake in Chapel Hill

17 Friday
Benny Green and the ECU Jazz Ensemble at Wright Auditorium.
Devil's Advocate in Hendrix Theatre at 8 p.m. (through April 18)
T.B.A at the Attic
Hipbone at the Brewery in Raleigh
Swingin' Neckbreakers, Smooch, Sharking Teeth at Local 506 in Chapel Hill
Burning Spear, Razor Posse at Cat's Cradle in Carboro
Jasper, The Holy Smokes at Lizard and Snake in Chapel Hill
Dear Enemy, The Mending Wall at The Cave in Chapel Hill

18 Saturday
Spyro Gyra at Wright Auditorium.
Poetry Slam at Percolator at 8

p.m.
Jazz at the Attic
Gibb Droll, Jump Little Children, Sister Hazel at Walnut Creek Amphitheatre in Raleigh
Hipone, Nymbus at Cat's Cradle in Carboro
Mumblefish, Tuckered at Local 506 in Chapel Hill
Camber, Sorry About Dresden at Lizard Snake in Chapel Hill
Wake at The Cave in Chapel Hill

19 Sunday
2 Skinnee J's at the Attic
Guant, Nashville Pussy, Murder City Devils at the Brewery in Raleigh
Eight Eyes, Stuart Hoyle at The Cave in Chapel Hill

20 Monday
Fastball at Local 506 in Chapel Hill

21 Tuesday
The Cypher (open mic poetry) at Underwater Pirate's Cove

Dullard

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The Electronic Privacy Information Center (<http://www.epic.org>) is a concise site with links to all sorts of privacy and protection options. They also have a page devoted to the latest news concerning electronic privacy and links to legal information about electronic privacy.

Now, it may be that you'll find no software able to protect your messages. It would then, of course, be time to abandon the already unreliable ECU server and subscribe to a commercial server. Some servers already offer privacy options, and even those that don't are probably more adaptable to this software than ECU's server.

If all of that is beyond you, don't forget the big number one thing you can do if you find you're being spied upon: go to court. Get a good

lawyer and take the whole darn school to court. Though you may have heard the opposite, there are actually laws to protect your privacy. While they may be open to interpretation, there are provisions in the Fourth Amendment to protect you from government tyranny, which, since ECU is a state school, could apply to the Chancellor's potential antics.

The Fourth Amendment provides: "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized."

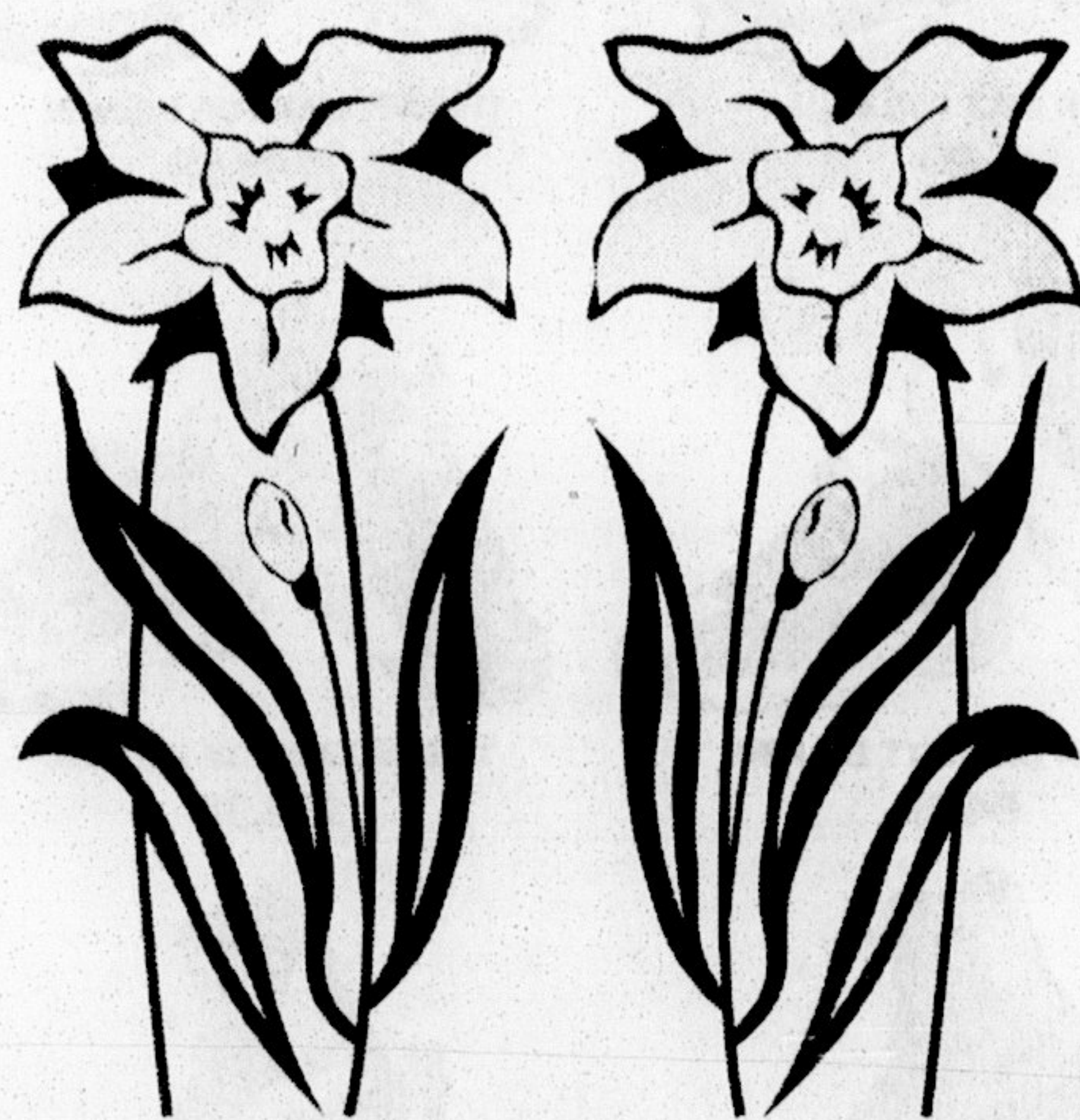
This basically says that the Chancellor (or anybody) has to get a warrant and serve it to you before he/she can snoop. A Supreme Court case (Katz v. United States,

1967) interpreted electronic media (in this case, telephones) as part of "papers and effects." The Court wrote: "For the Fourth Amendment protects people, not places. What a person knowingly exposes to the public, even in his own home or office in not a subject of Fourth Amendment protection ... But what he seeks to preserve as private, even in an area accessible to the public, may be constitutionally protected."

You have a lot of options, none of them easy, but then it all comes down to how much you want to protect your privacy. If you're just sending notes home to the folks, maybe you needn't bother. No matter what the content though, the principle remains.

(Much of my information regarding information laws comes from a rather helpful article by Susan E. Gindin in the *San Diego Law Review*, August/Sept. 97 issue.)

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Gordon

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Collar Dollar," "Dissatisfied") Gordon wrote with another talented Nashville songwriter, Gwil Owen. "Fast Train," a tale of excess and lost love, taps the same vein as the Rolling Stones' "Rip This Joint."

Cadillac Jack's #1 Son is an album you should own. The music isn't wholly original. You've heard it before; you'll hear it again. But Gordon's voice is unique. His gritty tales of lives that beat on from the outside, who know "the things you do for love or hate; you don't stop to think," will stick with you.

Maggie

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anyway. Though we never really see her bad side, she's certainly not an angel.

In one particularly strange scene, we see Maggie sneaking around her hotel in the black latex costume she wears for *Les Vampires*. Before even she knows what's happening, she's eavesdropping on a woman's phone conversation and stealing a jeweled necklace. Whether she's driven by boredom, loneliness, or a simple desire to better understand her jewel thief character, we never learn. But it makes

her a lot more interesting.

Not that the characters surrounding Maggie are boring. Between Rene the director, who's on the verge of a nervous breakdown, and Zoe the costume designer, who's in love with Maggie and wants desperately to know if she's "into girls," *Irma Vep* is filled with great characters.

I just wish I could find something about the film to slam. If I have any complaints with it at all, it's that there's not much story to speak of. It's really a character piece, though, so even that's not too big a problem.

Crap. I guess I'm just doomed to watch movies I like. What's a critic to do?

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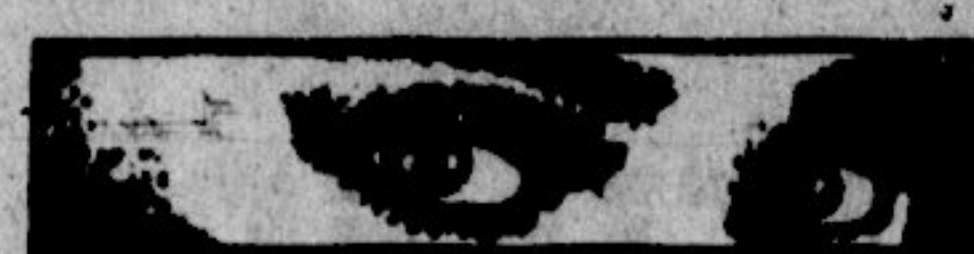
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Charleston So no match for team as the doubleheader

Dowdy-Ficklen to host 15th annual Pigskin Pig-Out Party this weekend

Activities and events set to begin Friday

TRACY HAIR
STAFF WRITER

On April 9, the 15th Annual Great Pirate Purple/Gold Pigskin Pig-Out Party began its series of events with a luncheon that recognized media, sponsors and volunteers who aid in coordinating selected shows. The continuation of the party's events are scheduled for April 17-19 at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

For the seventh year now, Eastern Carolina Toyota dealers have pledged their support of ECU by sponsoring the Pig-Out portion of the upcoming action.

"Their support to assist to

underwrite this event is crucial to our ability to raise funds for student-athlete scholarships," said ECU Director of Athletics Mike Hamrick in a press release.

Also behind the Pirates, United States Cellular is sponsoring the Golf Classic that will be played Friday, April 17, at Brook Valley Country Club, and is hosting special appearances from professional athletes and ECU alumni. Then on Saturday morning, PCS Phosphate holds fast to their support of the Breakfast of Champions where the All Academic team and Outstanding Male and Female Student-Athletes of 1998 will be honored.

"One cannot leave this event without feeling proud of East Carolina University and the student-athletes that are on our campus," Hamrick said.

Other businesses along with these, plus individual Pirate

supporters, have graciously offered gifts and donations to help in accommodations for the weekend.

The events planned for this annual party range from the musical entertainment of the Band of Oz and Tin Pan Alley to ECU teams in action. The soccer team will host UNCW, the baseball team is slated to participate in a 3-game series, and fans can get a sneak preview of the football team's performance as they compete for positions. Before these games, some ECU athletes will be featuring an autograph session, and after practicing, the football team will be involved.

Assisting the festivities will be a military display of vehicles and equipment from Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville.

The ECU mascot, PeeDee the Pirate, is going to be celebrating his birthday, and everyone is invited to help him

enjoy his birthday cake.

A Home and Garden show will exhibit services and items, a craft show is also planned, and Minges Coliseum parking lot, full of rides for both children and adults, adds still more excitement to the anticipated events.

On Friday evening, there is a scheduled Pig-Cookin' contest to be held under the stadium that will be highlighted by fireworks, rides, and music during the night. Then the food concessions last all weekend until Sunday afternoon.

With such an eventful agenda lined up, all ECU fans, friends, and family are encouraged to come out and participate in the fun-filled activities.

For more information call 1-800-DIAL-ECU or (919) 328-4500.

Schedule of Weekend Events

Thu, April 16	7 p.m.	Golf Classic Social & Auction
Fri, April 17		Golf Classic sponsored by United States Cellular
	6-11:30 p.m.	Carnival opens-Rides for all ages! Public invited to walk stadium "midway"
	7 p.m.	Live radio shows
	7:30-11:30 p.m.	Band of Oz "Live Show"
	8:45 p.m.	Fireworks-sponsored by Toyota
	9:15 p.m.	Parade of Pigs
	10 p.m.	Pig Cookin' Contest begins
	11:45 p.m.	Activities area closes
Sat, April 18	7-9 a.m.	Judging of the pigs
	9-10:30 a.m.	PCS Phosphate Breakfast of Champions
	9 a.m.-5 p.m.	Greenville Home & Garden Show (\$3.00 adults/12 & under free)
	10 a.m.-6 p.m.	Craft Show/Sports Card Show
		Carnival Children & Adult rides
		Free Health Screening
	10:30 a.m.	Concessions open
		Barbecue Plates served until sold out (\$3.50/advance-\$5.00/event)
	11 a.m.	Local performance group-TBA
		Pig Cookin' Contest winners announced
		Military Equipment Display
	11 a.m.	Jr. Pure Gold and Pure Gold Dance Teams
	11:30 a.m.	P.S. Jones Middle School Cheer/Dance Team
	11:30-12 p.m.	ECU Cheerleaders autograph session at Toyota Tent
	12 p.m.	ECU Baseball vs. UNCW (DH) \$1.50 adv/\$3.00 gate (combination ticket*)
	12-1 p.m.	Student-Athlete autograph session
	12-2 p.m.	Dunkin' Booth
	12:30 p.m.	Kelly Lilley-local performing artist from Winterville
	1 p.m.	Pirate Soccer vs. UNCW
	1 p.m.	Tracendia Sauls-local performing artist- ECU Student
	1-1:45 p.m.	Birthday Party for PeeDee
	2-3 p.m.	ECU Football Passing Game Practice \$1.50 adv/\$3.00 gate (combination ticket*)
	3 p.m.	Pirate Sports Network Live Remote Broadcast from Bagwell Field
	3:15-3:45 p.m.	ECU Football Players sign autographs-Bagwell Field/Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium
	3-5 p.m.	New Upper Deck OPEN HOUSE
	4-4:30 p.m.	Kiddie Games
	3:30-6 p.m.	Tin Pan Alley "Live Show"
Sun, April 19	12-5 p.m.	1998 Greenville Home & Garden Show (\$3.00 adults/12 & under free)
		Carnival/Concessions open
	1 p.m.	ECU Baseball vs. UNCW

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Baseball's biggest fan shows community what spirit is all about

Greene takes extra step for Pirate ball



JASON THURINGER
SENIOR WRITER

Jerry Greene, a local truck driver/dock worker, is by far the biggest fan of ECU baseball. That's no big deal, you might say. Well, what is a big deal is that Greene has seen every baseball game the Pirates have played since the start of the 1993 season.

As of April 14, his streak stands at 315 consecutive games and still going. That is not home games only or the not-so-far-away away games in Raleigh or Wilmington, but every game the Pirates have played from Florida to West Virginia and many other states in between.

"No question, he is one of the greatest fans we have," Head Coach Keith McClair said. "He is there every day and he doesn't care whether we win or lose."

"He is a great lift to the team and he really helps our spirits out," said senior Ryan Massimo.

So where does this Pirate fan's spirit come from? We at TEC set out on a mission to find out.

Q: How or why does a streak like this get started?

A: When the '93 season started, Coach Overton and I were going over the schedule trying to decide what I could do to help out and I just jokingly said, "You know I can go to every one of these games..."

Q: What is the driving force behind keeping the streak alive?



Jerry Greene has dedicated the past six years of his life to ECU baseball. He has attended every home and away game since 1993, and is considered by coaches and players as a part of the team.

PHOTO BY CLAY BUCK

A: The kids on the field. Since this is the sixth year of the streak, none of the kids out there have ever taken a swing or thrown a pitch without me being there to cheer them on and support them. I've always said that baseball is a family sport and I've been fortunate to be part of the family here at ECU over the past five years. The coaches and players have

made me feel like part of the family.

Q: What is the most memorable road trip you have made?

A: I've had some interesting road trips. One of the most memorable was in 1993. We played in Raleigh on a Wednesday night and came back. I had to be back in

Raleigh Thursday morning for a meeting and we played in Burlington Thursday night. The game was over about 10:30 that night and I drove straight to Atlanta because my brother-in-law had tickets for me to see Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls play Friday night and I couldn't pass that up. 1:30 Saturday afternoon I

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CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to ECU freshman swimmer **Alicia Harris**, winner of the 1998 Kristi Overton Female Scholar-Athlete Award! Alicia has shown exceptional character, scholarship, and dedication to athletic competition, setting ECU freshman records in the 100 and 200 yard breaststroke while maintaining a 3.0 GPA. She also received the swimming team's 1998 Iron Woman award. Keep up the good work, Alicia!

Men's and women's track prepare for season closing

Pirates look to finish season on a strong note

STEPHEN SCHRAMM
SENIOR WRITER

ECU's men's and women's track teams have gone through hell and high water to get to this point in their season. The high water came during a stretch where rains washed out practices. The hell was the lackluster performances and disappointing finishes that followed.

However their seasons can become successes with a strong showing at this weekend's CAA Championships.

Both teams had their final meets marred by bad weather. The men's team traveled to Tempe, Arizona for the Sun Angel Classic. The teams competed against each other and a thirty mile per hour wind in their faces.

"That's the most wind I've ever been exposed to at a meet. It destroyed the meet. Usually it will be bad in the morning and then die down, but this didn't," said head men's track coach Bill Carson.

The Pirates managed five top ten performances en route to a third place finish overall.

The women's team had worse luck with the weather. The meet that most of the team went to was snowed out. The rest of the team traveled to Liberty and scored three top five finishes. Jennifer Prevatt finished second in the hammer throw. Teammate Crystal Frye finished second in the shot put while Sandra Teel won the heptathlon.

These strong performances bode

well for the Pirates as they head into the conference championships. Differing levels of emphasis are placed on the CAA meet.

"This is one of the meets we shoot for," said head women's track coach Charles "Choo" Justice. "We want to do as well as we can, and have each girl do as well as we can."

Heading into the meet the Pirates suspect depth is a concern.

"I don't know about our depth, I like to think we have enough but I don't think we have the numbers to make a big impact," Justice said.

The men's team does not place as much emphasis on the CAA meet. Because it is built around the track events and does not compete in every event, the Pirates are not made for a meet of this size.

"We'll run our stuff and be about fifth. The conference is getting more competitive. It's getting tough to find places to score points," Carson said.

The Pirates will head to the meet without one of their major weapons.

"We'll be without Ramondo North. He is a Prop 48 player, and our conference doesn't allow prop 48 players to compete. We'll have to go without a big chunk of our team. That will make it rougher," Carson said.

Another concern is the condition of the team after two straight weeks of extensive travel.

"Going to the Texas Relays and Tempe back to back was not a good idea," Carson said.

Both teams head to the CAA meet in Williamsburg, Virginia rested and confident.

"We're in good shape, we're not hurt, we're not beat down, we're ready for it," Carson said.

Lady Pirate softball extends winning streak to 11 with Charleston Southern sweep

Both games called on eight-run mercy rule

TRAVIS BARKLEY
SENIOR WRITER

Charleston Southern proved to be no match for the ECU softball team as the Pirates rolled to a doubleheader sweep at home on

Monday.

ECU won 10-2 in the first game and 12-0 in the second. Both games were halted in the fifth inning due to the eight-run mercy rule.

Charleston Southern actually led the first game, jumping out to 1-0 lead in the top of the first. However, their lead didn't last long, as Pirate slugger Isonette Polonius blasted a two-run home run to left field. ECU would never look back, allowing

Charleston only one run the rest of the afternoon. The Pirates scored three runs in the third and four runs in the fifth before the game was called.

Starting pitcher Jami Bendle got the win and improved to 12-6 on the season. Bendle allowed only three hits while striking out five.

ECU benefited from an aggressive running game, stealing 6 bases in the game and 10 on the afternoon. Polonius had two of the

steals and said the team knew they could run effectively early on.

"The catcher sets the play," Polonius said. "When the first throw comes in you can usually tell."

Charleston catcher Jennifer Tompkins had trouble throwing all day. Several of her throws to second were cut off because they were so late.

ECU senior right fielder Dawn

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Big South

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Women's tennis concludes season with Old Dominion loss

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Team looks to improve CAA finish

MARIO SCHERHAUFER
SENIOR WRITER

Since the beginning of the series in 1983, the Lady Monarch tennis team has always left the court as winners against the Lady Pirates.

Coming to Norfolk, Va. with a backup of a five-match winning streak, the Lady Pirates came close to ending that series on April 6, 1998.

The ECU women's team took two of three doubles matches.

Top-seeded Anne Svae and Mona Eek defeated Luciana Araujo and Iva Bell 8-3. The No. 3 duo of Catherine Morgan and Gina MacDonald won their seventh consecutive match, with an impressive 8-4 decision over Michelle Wells and Lacey Lee.

Sophomore Michelle Martin and junior Morgan both recorded singles wins, too. Martin, playing at the No. 4 spot, defeated Stephanie Smith 7-5, 6-2. Morgan, on the other hand, won her fifth straight match, topping Wells 6-4, 6-1 at the No. 6 position.

"After my third year playing tennis for ECU, I'm having a lot of experience and I feel confidence coming into my game," Morgan said. "All singles matches were a constant up and down for us. We were really close to beating them for the first time."

Both their scheduled matches against No. 67 UNCG on April 8 and against No. 35 N.C. State on

Tuesday were postponed due to inclement weather and may be made up at a later date.

According to Morgan, the team is in good shape and ready for this weekend's conference tournament, where the sixth-seeded Lady Pirates will take on third-seeded Richmond in their first match at noon on Friday. Their matches will go through Sunday and will take place at Richmond's Byrd Park and the University of Richmond tennis courts.

"We have a good chance of doing really well this year," Morgan said. "We have been practicing very hard and I think that we could do better than we did last season."

The team looks to improve from 1997's fifth place finish in the CAA standings. Overall, the Lady Pirates concluded the spring with a 9-6 (3-1 CAA) record, their sixth straight winning season.

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Singles									
Name	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	No.5	No.6	Dual	CAA	'97/98
Anne Svae	11-3						11-3	2-1	17-8
Asa Ellbring		6-7	1-0				7-7	2-1	14-13
Mona Eek		1-0	9-4				10-4	3-0	18-13
Michelle Martin				7			6-7	1	12-16
Gina MacDonald					10		3	1	3-10
Catherine Morgan						4	9	3-0	15-10
Corissa Cheek									1-2
Karen Williams									1-1
Doubles									
Name	No.1	No.2	No.3	Dual	CAA	'97/98			
Svae/Eek	8-4			8-4	2-1	13-11			
Ellbring/Martin		8-3		8-3	3-0	11-5			
MacDonald/Morgan			9-4	9-4	3-0	9-4			
Cheek/Williams			0-1	0-1		0-1			

!!! Chart doesn't include results from the Tuesday game against NC State!!!

... CAA Championships start the weekend of April 17 at Richmond, Va. as part of the CAA's Pioneer Spring Sports Festival. Both the men and women will compete from April 17-19 at Byrd Park at the University of Richmond.

Softball

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Conrad said that ECU tries to run in every game.

"We try to run on every team," Conrad said. "We would run on anybody."

Conrad sparked the Pirate offense in the first game with a two-run double in the first. ECU scored three runs in every at-bat, banging out 12 runs on 12 hits.

Big South Player-of-the-Week Keisha Shepperson continued her hot hitting, going two for three with two doubles. Senior Christi Valevich finished 3-4 with two RBIs.

Freshman pitcher Lisa Paganini allowed only two hits and struck out six to get the win. Paganini's shutout was her sixth of the year and raised her record to 7-5.

Polonius finished a combined 6-for-7 at the plate, with two doubles, six RBIs and six runs scored. Her double in the first game set a new school record for career doubles. Earlier this year, Polonius set the career home run record.

"As a player, I don't keep track of how many doubles or home runs I hit," Polonius said. "It feels good, but I don't really pay attention to records."

The sweep extended ECU's winning streak to 11 games, winning 27 of their last 32 games. Overall, ECU stands at 34-16, 9-1 in the Big South.

Charleston Southern dropped to 2-37, 0-8 in the conference.

Polonius said the Pirates have

enjoyed their recent home stand after playing on the road much of the season.

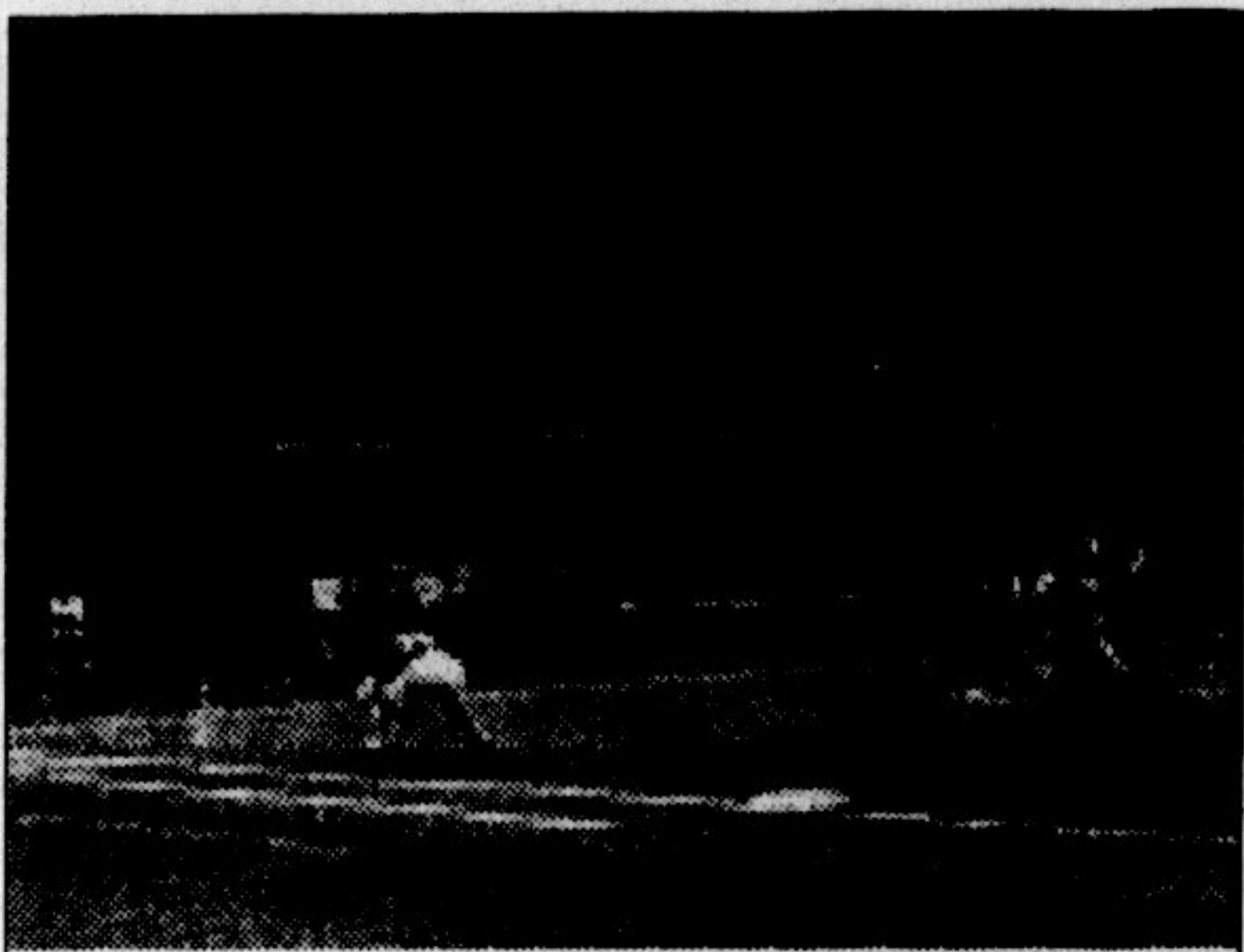
"In the long run it gets tiring (playing on the road)," Polonius said. "It's nice to have fans there for you."

The home stand will be the last for the Pirate

seniors. Conrad is one of three seniors on the team. She says she has mixed emotions about playing her final home games.

"I've had a fun time, but I'm ready to move on," Conrad said. "I've had a good career."

ECU will continue Big South play this weekend with doubleheaders at UMBC on Saturday and at George Mason on Sunday.



The Lady Pirates picked up two wins against Charleston Southern. ECU now holds a 9-1 conference record.

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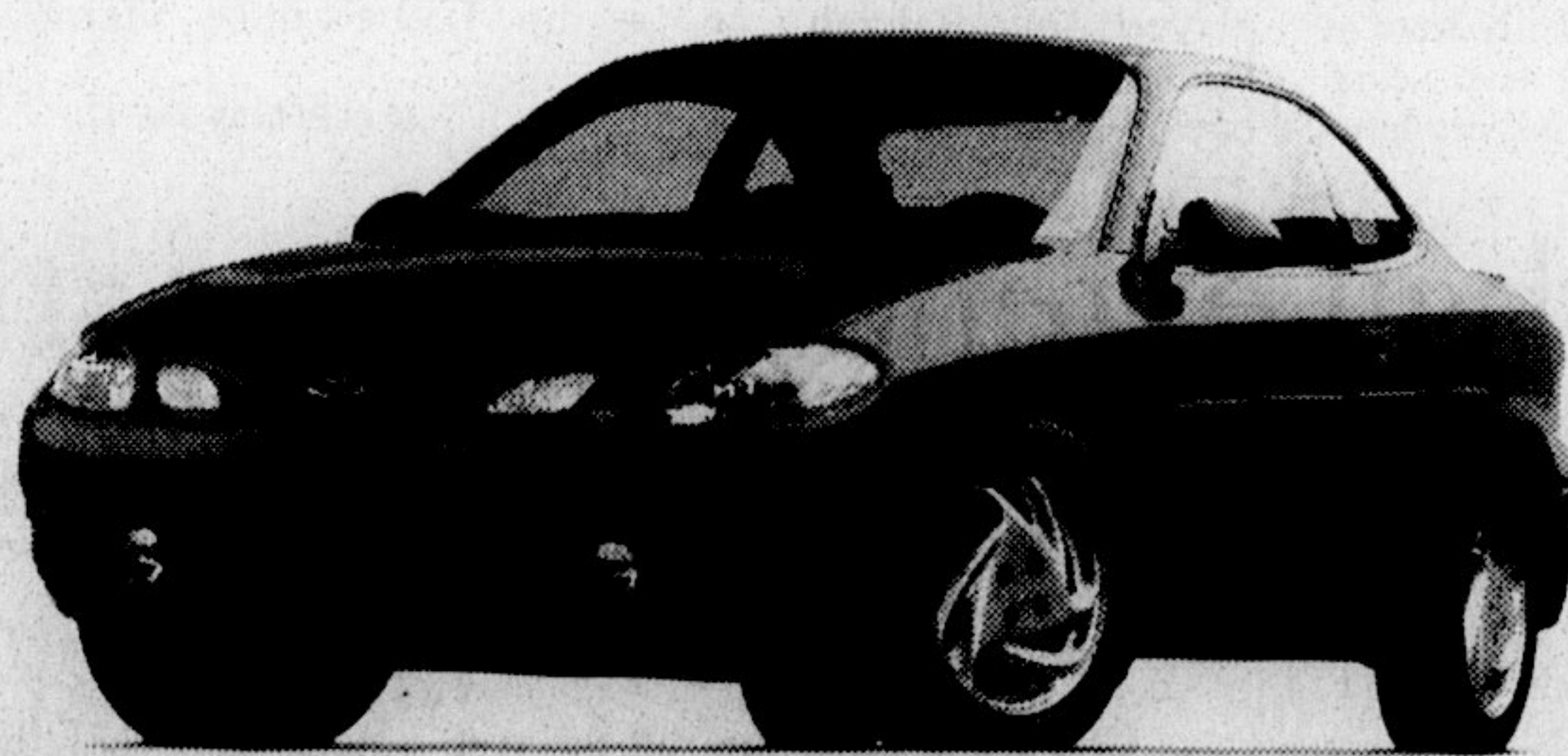
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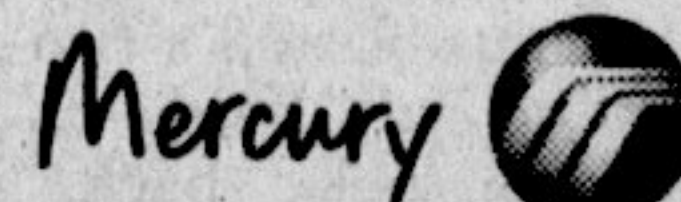
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pulled into Harrington Field to watch us play a doubleheader against Richmond.

Q: Which game stands out as the most memorable that you have seen?

A: I can't say which one stands out; there have been so many. There have been so many of them. I've seen games where we were playing here and we were down six runs in the bottom of the ninth with two outs and nobody on and we end up tying the game. Playing in the regional (the qualifying tournament to the College World Series) was a lot of

fun. Winning the CAA tournament in Wilmington was a lot of fun. I enjoyed that. As for picking one I can't really do it. After 312 games they tend to run together. Beating Tennessee when they were ranked second in the nation [was memorable]. We beat a team that people said couldn't be beat. That was a wonderful moment. Beating Clemson for Keith's first victory in Clemson [was memorable]. [It was] the first time they had lost a home opener since 1984. That was fun. They've all been a lot of fun.

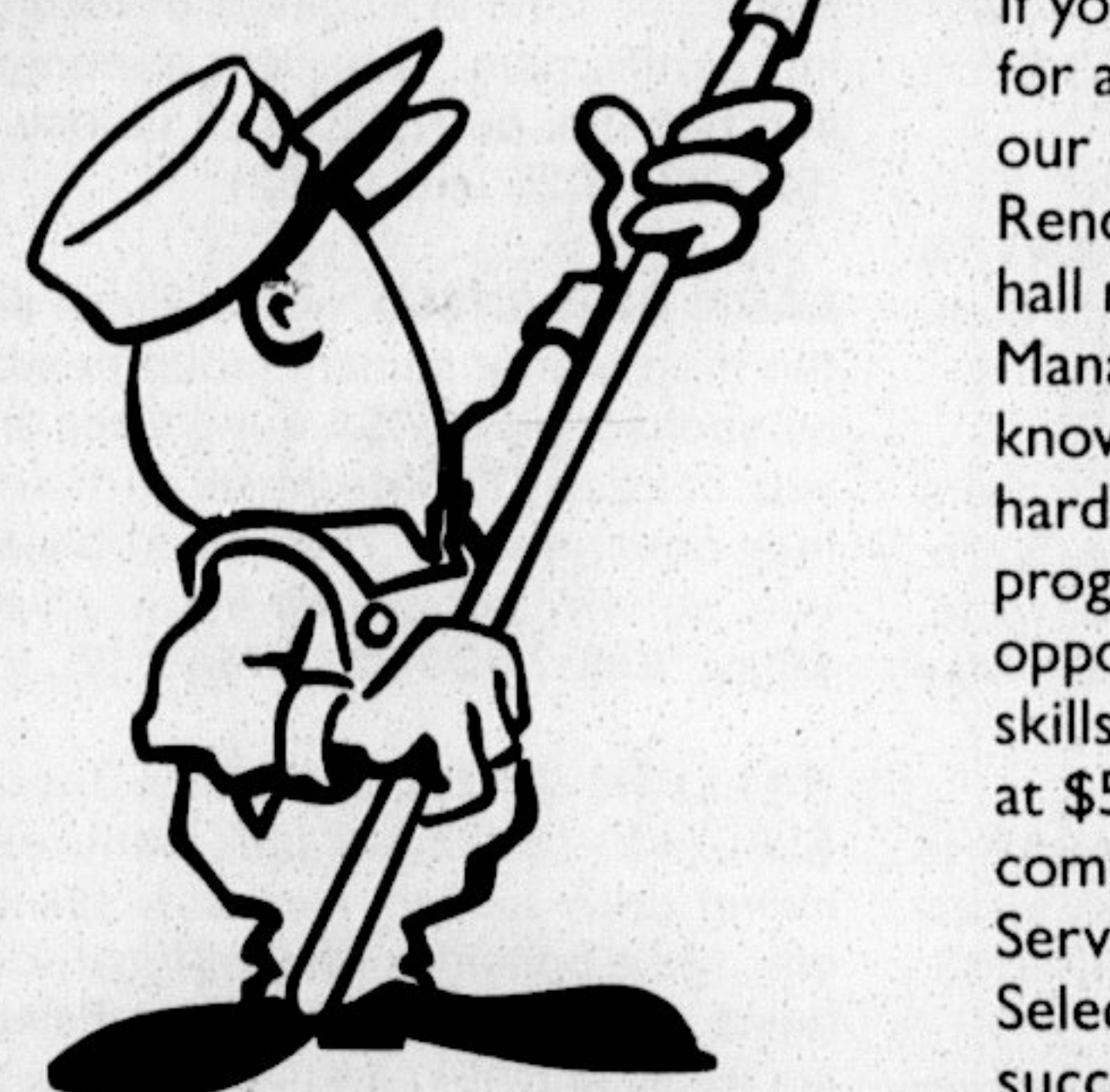
Q: What helps make the streak possible?

A: The biggest reason I can do it is because of my wife. She is wonderful. She supports me and

allows me to do it. Without her I could never do it. And my work schedule allows me to do it. They work real well with me. They allow me [to get] off work early for some afternoon games and I have vacation days saved for the away games that are a problem. Another supporter is the coaching staff. They are real friendly toward me and I thank and respect them for that.

Every sports team hopes to have fans like Greene. It is apparent that the ECU baseball team is lucky to have this fan on its side. Congratulations, Jerry, on being a rabid supporter of Piratebaseball. I hope I'm there to see the day his streak reaches 400.

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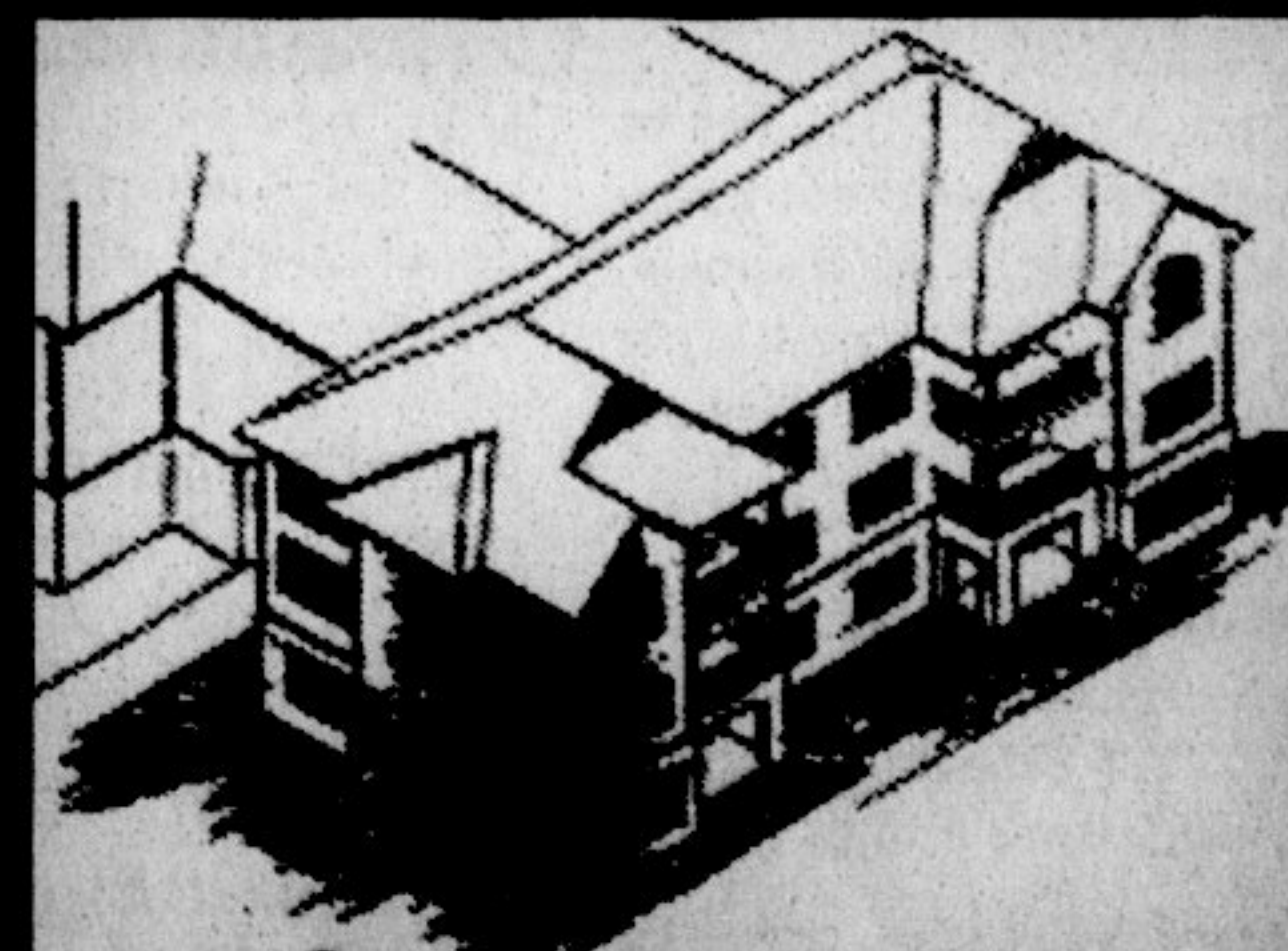
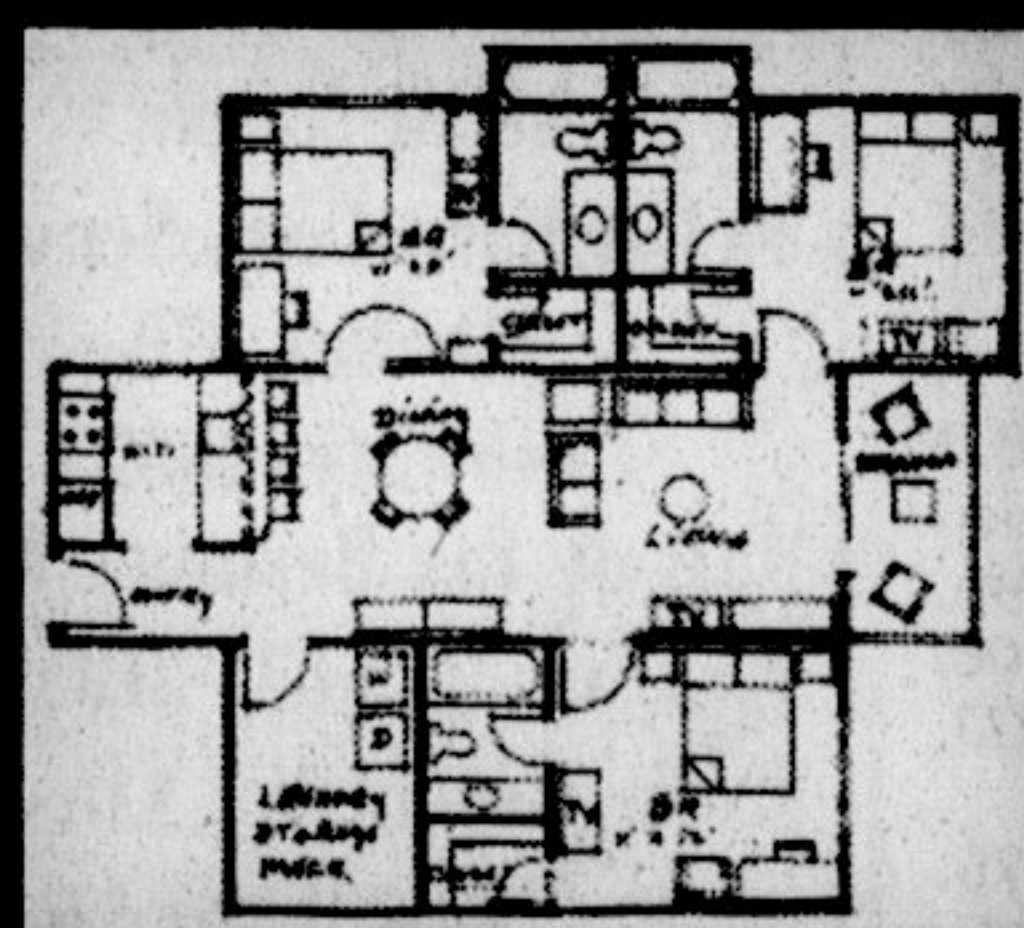
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SUMMER DISCOUNT! TOWNHOUSE at Twin Oaks. Available June 1st. \$595/month discounted to \$525. June through August. 3 BR's, 2 1/2 baths. Fireplace, patio, washer/dryer hookup. Deposit. No pets. Call Will Martin at 752-2851. Thanks.

SUBLEASE PLAYER'S CLUB apt. starting in May. Perfect for summer school. Free half a months rent. Call Carla for details at 353-6167.

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NO DEPOSIT. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, cable and water included. Wilson Acres Apartments. Rent by 5/1/98. Call 754-8315 and ask for Dawn Bivens.

WALK TO ECU, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 bedroom units/houses; available June, July, or Aug. Call 321-4712.

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1 BEDROOM, 1 bath apartment, 3 blocks from campus on 2nd St. \$265.00 a month. Call 759-1921.

SAY NO TO noisy dorms. Say Yes to privacy; 2 Bedroom Apartment available; free cable, w/d hookup; disposal, dishwasher, central heat and air, patio, lots of light. 6-month sublease, monthly thereafter. 561-7646.

1 BEDROOM APARTMENT, 3 minutes to GCB and Rec Center, \$335 (includes cable). Call 325-0538. (Sublease for May and June and option to continue).

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TWIN OAKS 3 bedroom 2 1/2 baths, fireplace, all appliances, very large quiet pool close to park. \$595/month. 756-3009 after 6:00 p.m.

SUBLEASE FOR SUMMER school from June to August. One bedroom apartment located within walking distance from ECU campus. If interested, call 752-8240 and leave a message.

SUBLEASE 4 BEDROOM flat in Player's Club Apts. Available May 15, W/D, pool, exercise room and more. Call Lisa for more information 353-2723.

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COMPLETELY RENOVATED UNITS AVAILABLE.
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ROOMMATE

FEMALE TO SHARE furnished townhouse. April rent free. \$225/month plus 1/2 utilities. 353-6806 ask for Brigitte.

TWO FEMALE ROOMMATES needed for summer at Player's Club. 321-6215 for info.

Female Roommate needed to share 2 BR, 1 1/2 bath townhouse, \$225, 1/2 phone/utilities, on ECU bus route. Call Laura, 756-7128. Need for May 1st!

Female roommate wanted ASAP to share 2 BR, 2 bath, brand new apartment. Must love pets! Call 752-9703.

Roommate needed to share a two bedroom duplex three blocks from ECU, \$200 a month plus half of utilities and phone. Call Ryan at 758-5756.

FOR SALE

FULL PHOTOSHOP CD 4.01 New academic license unregistered PLUS classroom in a CD + 2 free Adobe fonts. \$240. 754-8167. Leave message.

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LARGE DORM ROOM refrigerator. One year old, like new. For information call 328-7843.

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SURFBOARD FOR SALE: 9'0" longboard. Excellent condition. \$225 or B/O. Call Mark at 758-7067.

SONY CAR STEREO cassette player for sale, 20 x 4 watts, perfect condition. Call Matt at 328-7677 to make an offer.

CLASSICAL GUITAR for sale, good condition, asking \$95 or best offer. If interested, call Paul at 353-2885.

MOVING SALE: ELECTRIC dryer, \$100; washer-needs belt, \$25; 27" console TV \$100, dual reclining couch, \$50, kitchen table and chairs \$30, Tandy computer with printer \$300, Moped \$200. Call 353-4244 after 5:00 p.m.

PLUSH IMITATION WHITE leather sofa and loveseat for sale. Good condition. Like new. \$150 negotiable. Call 931-9004. Must sell.

MUST SELL TELESCOPE \$90, 19" color TV with stand \$45, futon \$50, 3-disc Sony stereo, \$100, 10 gallon aquarium setup \$50, Panasonic portable CD player with car attachment \$60. James, 328-3178.

20 GALLON AQUARIUM, large and small heatrocks, heat lamp and Vita-Lite lamp. In good condition. Great for small reptile. Will not sell separately. \$75 for all. Call 752-5912.

POWER PERFORMA 6300, 28.8 modem, 15" monitor, color scanner, color printer, zip drive, CD rom, \$2,000 worth software! Paid \$6,000, asking 1990. Like new! Call 353-7473.

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SUMMER WAIT STAFF and banquet staff - day and evenings. No phone calls. Reply at the Ramada Plaza Hotel.

PART-TIME FRONT desk position available - nights and weekends. No phone calls. Reply at the Ramada Plaza Hotel.

LOCAL COMPANY EXPANDING in Greenville area. Sales experience helpful but not necessary. College students welcome. For personal interview call 356-7469.

THE GREENVILLE RECREATION and Parks Department is recruiting individuals with some background knowledge with in-line hockey. Applicants will be responsible for overseeing both the skateboard park and with-line hockey rink at the Jaycee Park. Salary rates range from \$5.15 to \$6.50 per hour. For more information, please call Ben James or Michael Daly at 830-4550 after 2 PM.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES in financial planning/investment and insurance. Northwestern Mutual/Robert O. Baird is accepting applications for our summer training school. Check out our web site www.northwesternmutual.com and send resume to 217 Commerce Street, Greenville, NC 27858.

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STUDENT REP - AT&T Authorized Agent needs 20 students now! No exp. will train. \$100-300/week. PT/FT (800) 592-2121 x 197.

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SUMMER JOB. COLORWORKS Commercial Manager seeking painters, pressure washers and carpenters to work in triangle area. Free on-site room for summer. Make \$3500+ working 40 hr/wk @ \$7.00/hr. Contact Jason Arthur (919) 353-2381.

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GREEK PERSONALS

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON once again we had fun hanging out with your guys! The cookout/pre downtown was loads of fun. Love, Chi Omega!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE newly elected executive council of Zeta Tau Alpha! President - Carrie Rogers; VP - Kate Clay; VPIL - Alison Gurganus; Secretary - Wendy Melton; Treasurer - Beth Wolfgang; Membership - Lee Anne Vaughan; Historian - Katie Caffrey; Ritual - Kristin Mayer; Panhellenic - Taryn Cavaco. You girls will do a great job! Love, your sisters.

THANK YOU DONNA Gail Cooper, Mary Stallings and Sarah McConnell for representing us in Greek Goddess. You girls did a great job! Love, Zeta Tau Alpha.

SISTERS OF THE week: Alpha Delta Pi - Nikki Noren, Amy Miller, Julie Tanner, Melissa Horne, Shane Maxon/Al-

pha Omicron Pi- New officers and all new sisters/ Alpha Phi - Kaki Winstead, Jen Cooper, Tiffany Person, Julie Guy/ Alpha Xi Delta- All big sisters/ Chi Omega-Leslie Burke, Jen O'Connor, Carrie Craig, Lauren Causey/ Delta Zeta- Ashley Smith, Lisa Waterfield, Brook Owens, Amanda Karam/ Sigma-Melissa Hamlett, Missy Maxwell, Sage Hunihan, Ann Jennings; Zeta- Kara Gleason, Lindsay Bost, Alison Gurganus, all new members; Pi Delta-Tina Overbee, Jennifer Kwitkowski, all new officers Congrats!

THANK YOU CHRISTINA Lacy, Andi Davidson and Allison Greenwood for representing us during Greek Goddess. You guys did a great job. We love You! Love, your Sigma Sisters

ALPHA XI DELTA thanks everyone who helped make All-Sing such a success Tuesday nite! Congratulations to our winners: 1st place-Sigma Sigma Sigma; 2nd place: Chi Omega and 3rd place-Zeta Tau Alpha! An extra special thanks to those fraternities who showed up and gave their support! You guys are the best!

THANK YOU TO all the members of Pi Delta who either played the Easter bunny or took the pictures at The Plaza. Love, your sisters

TO THE BROTHERS and pledges of Tau Kappa Epsilon: the play wrestling, the table dancing, the ring game, and the cool bucks-what a great time! You guys always know how to do it up

right. We had the best time at the social with y'all. We love ya! The sisters of Pi Delta

GOOD JOB Pi Delta pledge Jennifer Denton on your win at the ring game during the Tau Kappa Epsilon social. We love you, the sisters

PI DELTA HOPES everyone had a great holiday break. Have a fantastic Greek Week!

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA: Thanks for a great softball game and thanks for being such wonderful sports. We had a super time! Love, the sisters of Pi Delta

WAY TO GO Pi Delta softball players on your win against Sigma! you guys did great and we're very proud of you! Love, your sisters.

TO PI DELTA sister Ann Elms: Just one question-was the leg injury worth the pain? You go girl! Love, your sisters

THE RAY DELTAS would like to thank all the members who participated in Sunday's (4/5) social at Perkin's. A special thank you goes to "Alexis" for driving the Ray Ray van. Didn't we have a great time and a great waitress? Let's all get together again very soon!

PI DELTA SORORITY will be hosting a Male Wild "N Crazy Towel Contest at The Attic on Tuesday night. Come out and see who looks the best in only

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hope to see everyone there! Go Greek
Unity!

TO THE BROTHERS and pledges of
Pi Lambda Phi: Thanks for a great
social last week! We always enjoy
seeing guys run. We had a super time
and can't wait to get together again.
Love, the sisters of Pi Delta

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE new
members of Zeta Tau Alpha: Misty
Caskey, Marie Davis, Kelly Nofstinger,
Jennifer Scott and Mandi Knox. Al-
pha Betas we love you! Love, your
sisters.

THANK YOU HILARY Watson for
the great gift. You're the best sweet-
heart. Love, the brothers of Sigma
Pi.

KAPPA ALPHA, THANK you for be-
ing our adopt a fraternity last week.
Love, the sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha.

GOOD LUCK TONIGHT T-birds and
Pink Ladies. You'll do great! Love,
Zeta Tau Alpha.

ZETA TAU ALPHA hopes everyone
had a great Easter break!

ALPHA XI DELTA congratulates our
recently elected officers for the 1998-
99 school term: President: Lauren
Carrier; VP-Chapter Life: Any Frye;
Treasurer: Denise Reeves; VP-Pro-
grams: Sarah Evans; VP-Membership:
Kate Jones; VP-Public Relations: Lind-
say Wilder; Panhellenic Rep:
Catherine Sanders; Recording Secre-
tary: Nikki Schmitt; Academic
Achievement: Becky Thomas; New
Members: Kerri Augustino; Corre-
sponding Secretary: Kim Noucas;
Chaplain: Shelley Bissette; Ritual:
Katie Sweet; Publicity: Amy Flanagan;
Marshal: Betsy Bickers, and Historian:
Meredith Galloway!

CONGRATULATIONS TO
MEREDITH Caines for getting into
OT school! Also, congratulations to
Jenn Boyd and Dana Menture for
your acceptance into Health Manage-
ment! Love your sisters and new
members of Alpha Xi Delta.

ALPHA DELTA PI hopes that every-
one had a fun and safe Easter Break!

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA we had a blast
at the social last Tuesday! Can't wait
to get together again soon! Love, Al-
pha Delta Pi.

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA hopes every-
one had a great Easter break.

GET READY, SIGMA new members,
to get your big sisters. We can't wait
to tell you! Love, your Sigma Big Sis-
ters.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ECU POETRY Forum will meet
on Wednesday, April 22nd in
Mendenhall Student Center, room 248
at 8 p.m. Open to the general public,
the Forum is a free workshop. Those
planning to attend and wanting criti-
cal feedback on their work should
bring 8 or 10 copies of each poem.
Listeners welcome.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS. Do
you want to get involved? SGA needs
one energetic student to sit on the
Greenville Bike Task Force. For more
information call Cliff Webster at 328-
4719. The bike laws in Greenville are
changing and this could affect you.

CHAT GROUP for adolescent chil-
dren of HIV+ parents. Wednesdays at
4 p.m. at the Catholic Social Minis-
tries, 3219 Landmark St.-7A,
Greenville. Please call Lenore at Catho-

lic Social Ministries to register at 355-
5111.

GREENVILLE RECREATION AND
Parks summer tennis programs 830-
4559. Registration April 28 thru May/
June. Programs run 6/16-7/31. Youth:
5 year-olds TU/TH 8 a.m./9 a.m.; 6-
10 year-olds M/W/F 8/9/10 a.m.; 11-
18 intermediate/advanced T/W/TH
10 a.m.; 11-15 beginners TU/TH 5:30
p.m.; adult beginner M/W 6 p.m.; in-
termediate M/W 7 p.m.

APRIL CONTRA DANCE: Sat., April
18, Willis Bldg. (First and Reade Sts.).
Music by Uncle Sam's Band (from Tri-
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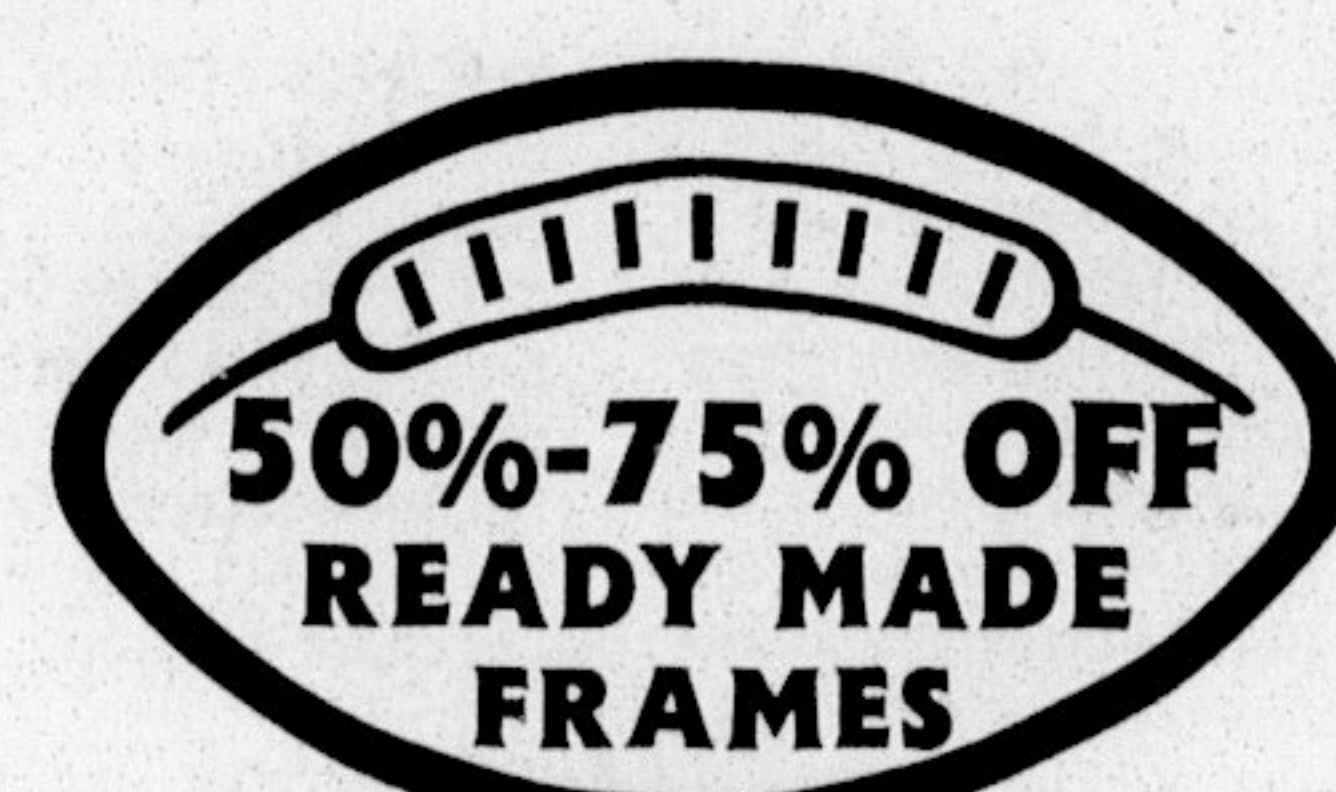
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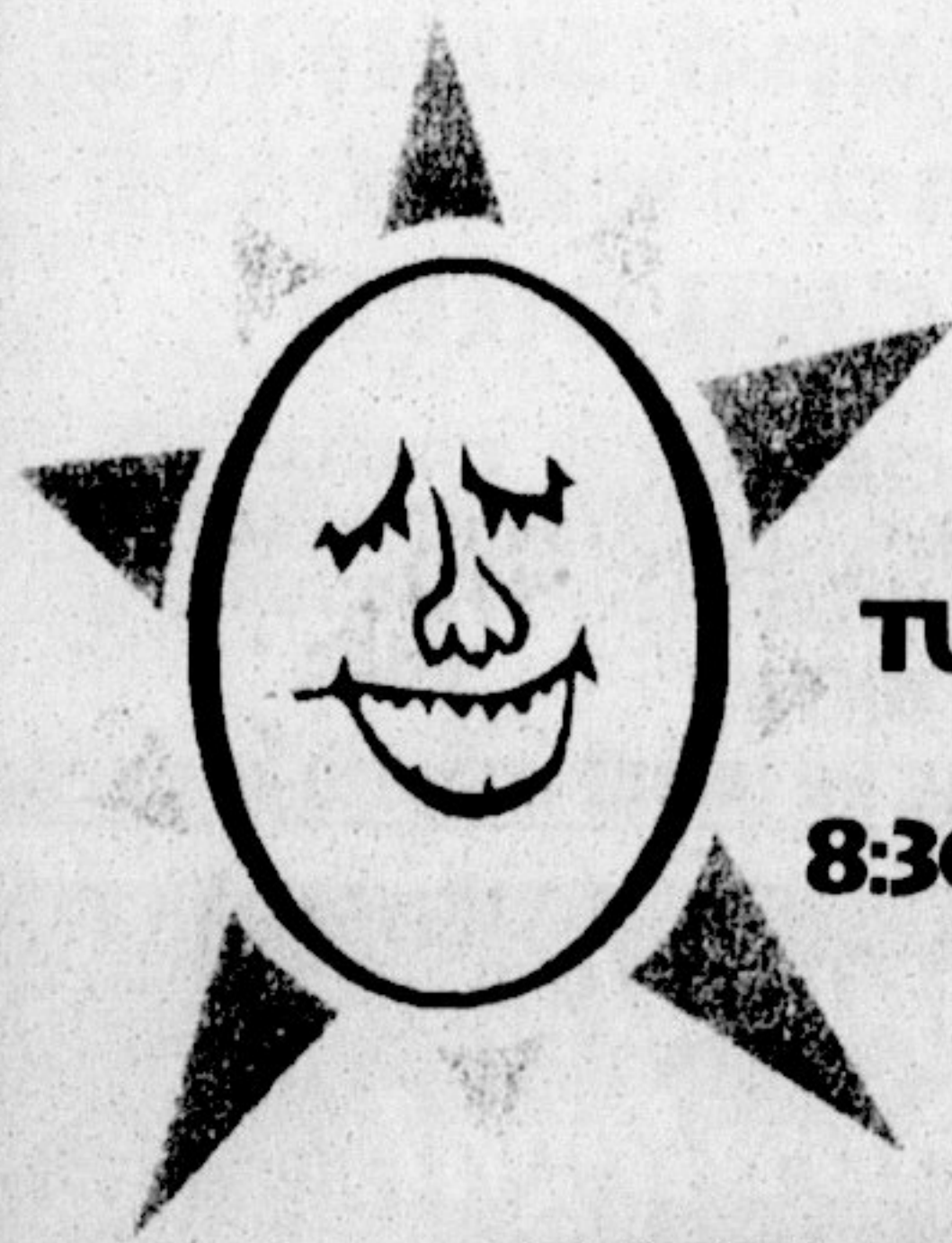
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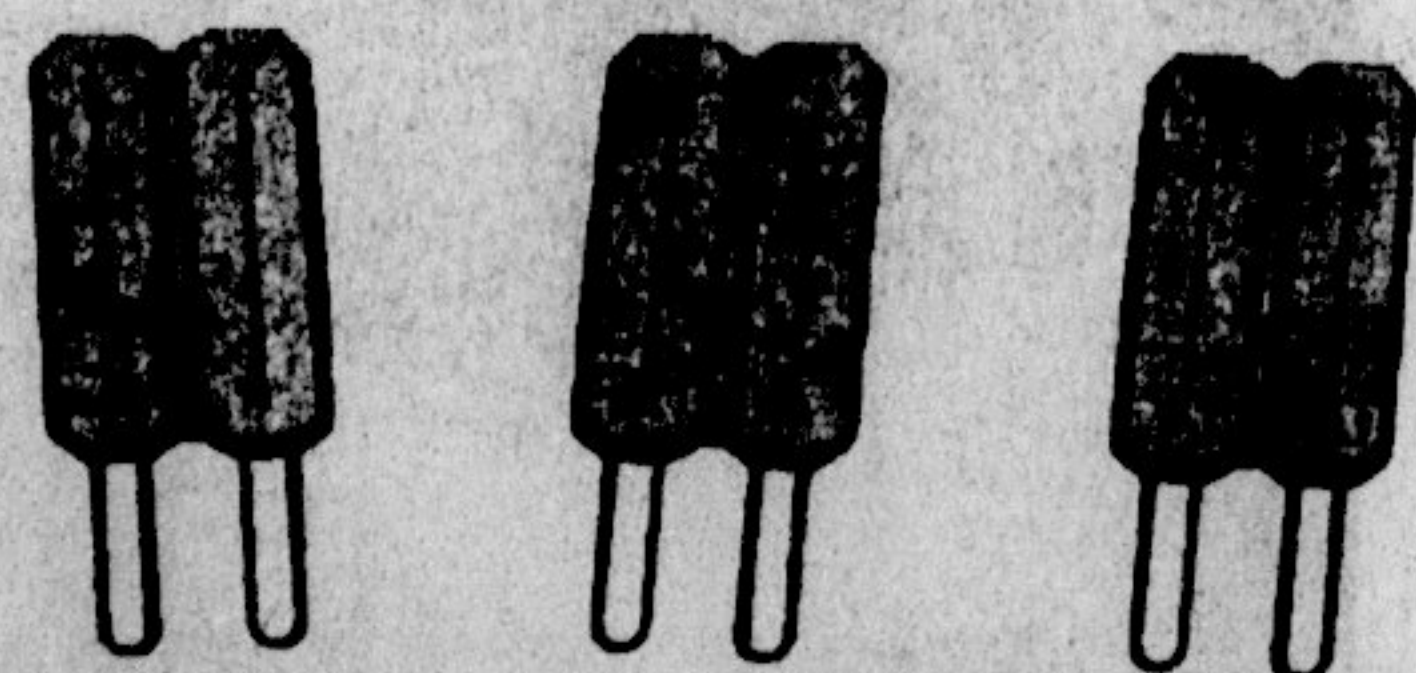


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SMOKING

Smokers say they're part of secret society

Non-smokers say downtown full of smoke

GRANT ZAUNER
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Scott Lyons knows what it's like to be part of a minority. From the outside, you can't tell any difference between Lyons and his friends. They share common interests and look like ordinary college students. Lyons hangs out with his friends so much that he even smells like them. "I can't escape it," he says. He smells like his friends because most, including his roommate, are smokers. And Lyons is part of the

non-smoking minority.

Non-smokers such as Lyons are greatly outnumbered in downtown Greenville. On a typical night most bar patrons, like Matt Dillon, are cigarette smokers whether they smoke a pack a day or only smoke while consuming alcohol.

Dillon, an ECU junior, has tried to quit, but the power of nicotine was too great. "I light a smoke in my car, after a good meal, and about a pack when I'm drinking," he said. Dillon's New Year's resolution was to quit smoking, but his resolve lasted less than an hour.

Dillon and his roommate, fellow nicotine addict, Fonzie Weninger, have adopted a smoke-

free homeplace, vowing, no matter how cold, not to smoke inside.

"Me and Fonz got some new furniture a while back and we don't want to stink it all up," said Dillon.

Perhaps Dillon and Weninger should be more concerned with their health than their new furniture. According to the American Cancer Society, smoking is a leading cause of lung cancer. But they still have time to quit. A 1990 report by the Surgeon General says that after 15 years off cigarettes, the risk of death for ex-smokers returns to nearly the same level of those who have never smoked.

In recent years, there has been

an increase in smoke free environments.

People can no longer smoke in some malls or even

at work. At ECU, the only places to smoke on campus are in some faculty offices, residence halls, and outside. This is because of a concern about secondhand smoke. According to the American Lung Association, secondhand smoke is responsible for about 3,000 deaths each year.

In the fall of 1995, Donna Walsh, director of Health Promotion and Well Being, conducted an informal survey of 300 ECU students, asking them about smoking. There turned out

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to be slightly more non-smokers than smokers. "The interesting part is that the majority of non-smokers we surveyed said they would have a serious relationship with a smoker," she said.

When asked about secondhand smoke, Lyons said his roommate doesn't smoke in their house, but he is still exposed to secondhand smoke at his friends' houses, in their cars, and especially at parties and downtown. Joked Lyons, "If I didn't hang out with smokers for one whole day, I'd probably crave a cigarette."

Students addicted to nicotine

Quitting options available to smokers

AMY WAGNER
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

She wanted it when she woke up and went to bed. She craved it at least 20 times a day. Alison Koppel, an ECU sophomore, was addicted to nicotine. Nevertheless, after three years of smoking, she quit 14 months ago.

"I have so much more energy," Koppel said. "Now I can keep up with the hot guys when I work out." Koppel acknowledges her decision to quit as the best one she has ever made.

Quitting not only adds years to your life, but has immediate benefits as well. The American Red Cross points out that within 20 minutes of your last cigarette there is a drop in your blood pressure and heart rate. After 48

hours, damaged nerve endings start to regrow, enhancing your ability to smell and taste.

According to the American Cancer Society, more than 38 million adults have already quit smoking. It was Koppel's 1997 New Year's resolution. "I just quit cold turkey," Koppel said. For others, quitting may not be that easy. That is why many smokers rely on over-the-counter nicotine replacement drugs. These drugs help ease the pain of nicotine withdrawal without the tar and other chemicals in cigarettes.

Nicotine gum cost around \$50 for 100 pieces, and like cigarettes, you must be at least 18 years old to buy it. Nicorette, a popular brand, suggests using the gum with a support program. To find one in your area there are toll free numbers to call. Nicorette reports that only about five percent of users continue chewing the gum

Where to call for help on quitting smoking

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after they quit smoking.

Nicotine patches cost around \$50 for 14 patches, or two weeks worth. One patch is placed on your arm or hip a day to continually pump nicotine into your blood stream. Nicotrol, a brand of patches, warns that people with sensitive skin may not be able to use this product.

The American Lung Association recommends a nicotine inhaler, called Nicotrol Inhaler, which you actually suck on regularly to get the nicotine into your body. The FDA recently approved this product, and it should be on the market

within a few months.

The American Heart Association cautions that nicotine replacement drugs should not be used by people with heart problems or ulcers. In addition, there is a high risk for nicotine overdose if the user continues to smoke or use other products containing nicotine.

Trevor Van Meter, an ECU senior, smoked for two years. Four months ago he quit smoking with the help of his doctor. He was prescribed pills that do not contain nicotine. "I tried the patch, but they made me feel sick and restless," Van Meter said.



"These little pills worked like a charm." His doctor informed him that the treatment last from seven to 12 weeks, but it only took him five.

It is difficult to quit smoking, but not impossible. Both Koppel and Van Meter are successful quitters who enjoy working out and maintaining their new lifestyles. "Now my girlfriend doesn't cringe when I kiss her," Van Meter said with a smile. "She doesn't have to taste the smoke anymore." If this sounds like you, maybe you should join the millions a year that put out their last cigarette.

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Lawsuits threaten eastern NC tobacco

Tobacco farmer believes regulation will mean industry's devastation

NIKKI HAYES
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

S. G. Hayes of Henderson is afraid that he may be on the endangered species list. That's because he is a tobacco farmer.

A number of states attorney generals are suing the United States cigarette industry for money paid by the states to treat smoking related illnesses. The settlement proposed could cost cigarette manufacturers \$368.5 billion over 25 years. It could cost Hayes and other farmers their entire way of life.

If the proposal is approved, cigarette companies will be buying less tobacco. This is bad news for small farms, like Hayes's.

In order for the farmers to break even or better, the government will have to buy their allotments from them. An allotment is the number of

pounds that one can grow on a farm in a year. If the farmer wants to grow more tobacco than his allotment will allow, he must rent or buy an allotment from another farmer.

Cigarette companies must know two years in advance how much tobacco they are going to purchase. Allotments are assigned accordingly. The more open land a farmer has, the larger his allotment.

Almost three percent of the United States population makes a living working with tobacco, from the farms to the cigarette manufacturers.

North Carolina produces 60 percent of the flue-cured (dried with artificial heat) in the United States. Hayes estimates that 90 percent of North Carolina farmers probably grow some tobacco. "North Carolina would die without tobacco," he said.

According to Mitch Smith, of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service in Pitt County, there are about 200 active producers of tobacco in Pitt County. Last year, tobacco

generated \$62 million here. Pitt County ranks tenth in the state in farm cash-receipts. That adds up to a large portion of local income.

Hayes began farming tobacco as a boy with his father. Then when he married in 1957, he purchased his first land for growing tobacco. He split half an acre of land with another farmer and each grew a quarter of an acre of tobacco.

Hayes now owns farms in Franklin County and leases farms in Vance and Warren counties. Together his four farms total 264 acres. He also leases allotments from other farmers. Last year, he grew more than 390 acres of tobacco and 900 acres of soybeans. However, Hayes said he would never grow soybeans if he didn't grow tobacco. There simply isn't enough money in soybeans. While an acre of soybeans brings a farmer \$150 - \$180, an acre of tobacco may bring in \$3,500 - \$4,000.

Hayes is a member of the Tobacco Growers Association of North Carolina, which supports the concept of a tobacco

settlement. In the event of a government buyout, the association supports provisions granting the farmers \$12 a pound if they own the allotment and planted the tobacco, \$8 a pound if

they own the quota, or allotment, and \$4 a pound if they planted the tobacco. While this may sound like more than reasonable compensation, Hayes points out that if he had to stop growing tobacco, he would have \$1 million of useless farm equipment and not enough land to grow anything else that could make him a living.

Hayes said tobacco's effect on the average person is not recognized. "The average person doesn't realize where taxes would come from if they did away with tobacco," Hayes said.

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His point? Every acre of tobacco grown in the U.S. for domestic consumption generates more than \$46,000 in state and federal excise taxes when sold as cigarettes and smokeless tobacco. If tobacco were regulated and the amount of tobacco grown and sold in North Carolina is cut, taxpayers will have to pick up the tab.

Hayes wonders if his son Mike and Mike's three sons will be able to carry on the family business or if legal battles will put an end to their tradition.

Cigar trend goes up in smoke

Shop owners says soaring market steadies

CARL MOTHES
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Everyone from Wall Street millionaires to college students have been

lighting up their stogies. Cigar smoking has become the trend of the 1990s.

But think twice before buying your \$300 humidor.

According to a Greenville cigar store manager, Richard Peterson, the cigar smoking trend, which began five years ago in urban areas, is now on the decline. For the past few years urban cigar profits have continued to fall two to three percent each year.

Peterson, manager of Onix, a cigar and tobacco store located downtown, has attributed the rise and fall of the trend to a feeling of nostalgia. Cigars are also a backlash against conservatives, an affordable luxury, and status symbol. "In the 1980s people would indulge in Porsches, but

now the money isn't available," Peterson said. He feels the cigar market has reached a point of saturation, and everyone who will smoke cigars are smoking them.

Despite the urban decline Onix has continued to increase profits 15 percent to 20 percent each year for the past three years that it has been open. Peterson attributes the increase to there being no other competitors nearby. As for the trend's decline Peterson said, "It's been a hell of a ride; a lot of people have made a lot of money."

While Peterson has enjoyed the cigar smoking trend, Joel Duncan, who has been smoking cigars for six years, resents it. "I hate to do what trends are; prices have gone up; costs have doubled," Duncan said. He can often be caught sitting in front of his flashing computer screen with thick smoke wafting from an El Rey Del Mundo in hand.

Duncan spends about \$20 a week on cigars which may appear modest when compared to individual cigar prices averaging \$5 to \$10 and reaching upwards of

\$20 to \$30 for a 'fine' cigar. For him cigar smoking is all about pleasure. Duncan said there are risks and costs involved with everything, and you have to weigh both the costs and the benefits.

Some current health risks for cigar smokers as determined by the American Cancer Association include: higher tar and nicotine concentrations, up to 40 times that of cigarettes; cigar smokers are more likely to develop persistent coughs, phlegm, and peptic ulcers than cigarette smokers; and cigar smokers are up to 10 times more likely to die from laryngeal, oral, and esophageal cancer than cigarette smokers.

Duncan, a graduate student in the counseling school and graduate coordinator of Slay and Umstead residence halls, believes that many statistics about the health risks from smoking cigars are manipulated. And this causes cigar smoking to appear more harmful than it is. "Statistics lie," he said. "You can make numbers say anything you

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want them to say. The minimal health risks don't outweigh the maximum pleasurable benefits." Both Peterson and Duncan agree that smoking is a personal thing. In addition to cigars, both also smoke a pipe. Peterson feels that when the cigar smoking trend is finally over, pipes will be

their successor as the next fad. "Pipes give you more to do," Peterson said. "It's a busy habit." Accordingly, Peterson is preparing Onix for the projected pipe smoking trend by stocking the store with quality pipes, premium pipe tobacco, and pipe accessories.

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Cancer warnings go unheeded by students

Smoking poses threats to health

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FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Everyone has read the warnings about smoking and cancer, but many people believe that they are invincible, and say, "It can't happen to me, I'm too young. Besides, I'm not addicted, I'll quit smoking tomorrow." But for a lot of people, tomorrow may be too late.

"I don't think that I'll ever get lung cancer," said sophomore Amanda Laeng. "I don't smoke that often anyway. I probably just threw away my last pack."

This is the attitude of many smokers.

But the damage may already be done. Symptoms may not appear for years after the disease has already set itself up, according to medical experts and the American Cancer Society.

Cigarette smoking also can lead to laryngeal, oral and

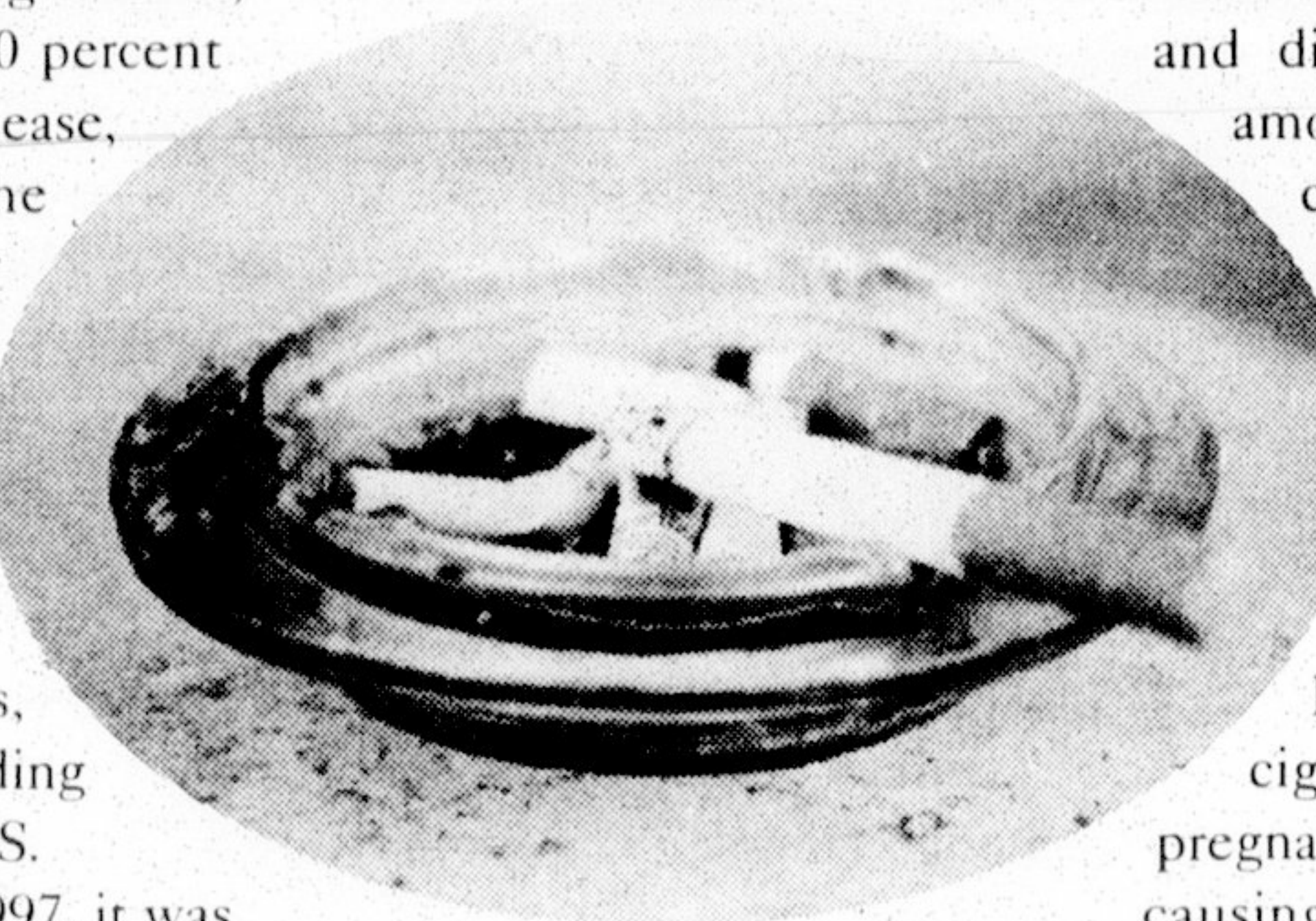
esophageal cancer, and is associated with cancer of the pancreas, urinary bladder and kidney, according to the Surgeon General's office.

Tobacco smoking is by far the leading cause of lung cancer, accounting for up to 90 percent of all cases of the disease, according to the American Cancer Society. Lung cancer, however, is the leading cause of cancer death among both men and women in the United States, and is the second leading cause of death in the US.

In Pitt County, for 1997, it was projected that there would be 60 new lung cancer cases diagnosed, and there would be 60 lung cancer-related deaths, according to a study performed by the North Carolina Central Cancer Registry.

The American Cancer Society estimates that for the US in 1998, about 171,500 new cases of lung

cancer will be reported. 91,400 among men and 80,100 among women. Lung cancer will account for about 14 percent of all new cancers and about 29 percent of deaths from cancer.



estimated 160,100 deaths are expected from lung cancer: 93,100 among men, and 67,000 among women, accounting for 28 percent of all cancer deaths.

Since 1987, more women have died each year of lung cancer than of breast cancer, which had been the major cause of cancer death in women for the past 40

years. The cancer death rate for women smokers is 67 percent higher than for non-smokers.

The following percentages show the increase in respiratory and digestive ailments

among women smokers, as compared to non-smokers: bronchitis: 300 percent; emphysema: 300 percent; chronic sinusitis: 75 percent; peptic ulcers: 50 percent.

More and more data show cigarette smoking during pregnancy can damage to a fetus, causing helath and developmental problems in newborns and children. Studies show that women who smoke have significantly more stillbirths and more babies that die during the first month of infancy, 20 percent of unsuccessful pregnancies that would have been successful if they had not been regular smokers and higher

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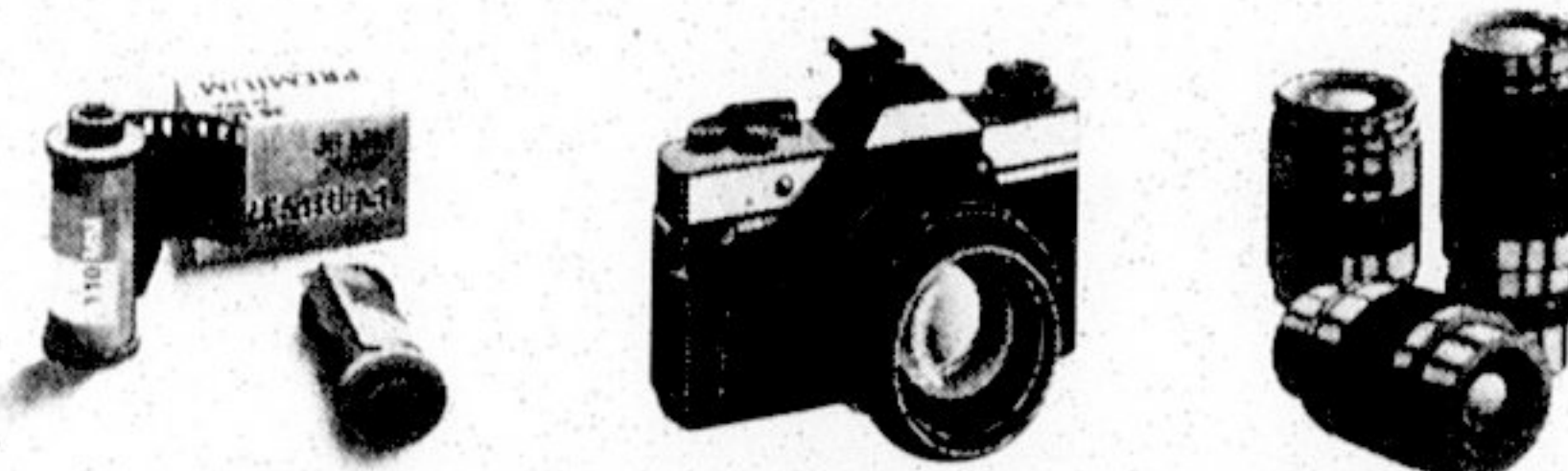
mortality rates due to low birth weight, which is directly related to smoking.

Non-smokers are also at risk of developing lung cancer by being in contact with smokers. The Environmental Protection Agency estimated of 4,000 lung cancer deaths annually—nearly 3 percent are caused by secondhand smoke.

Secondhand smoke also causes heart disease, aggravates asthmatic conditions, and impairs blood circulation. "Lung cancer can also be caused by other factors in non-smokers, but an increasingly large amount is a result of second-hand smoke," according to the American Cancer Society.

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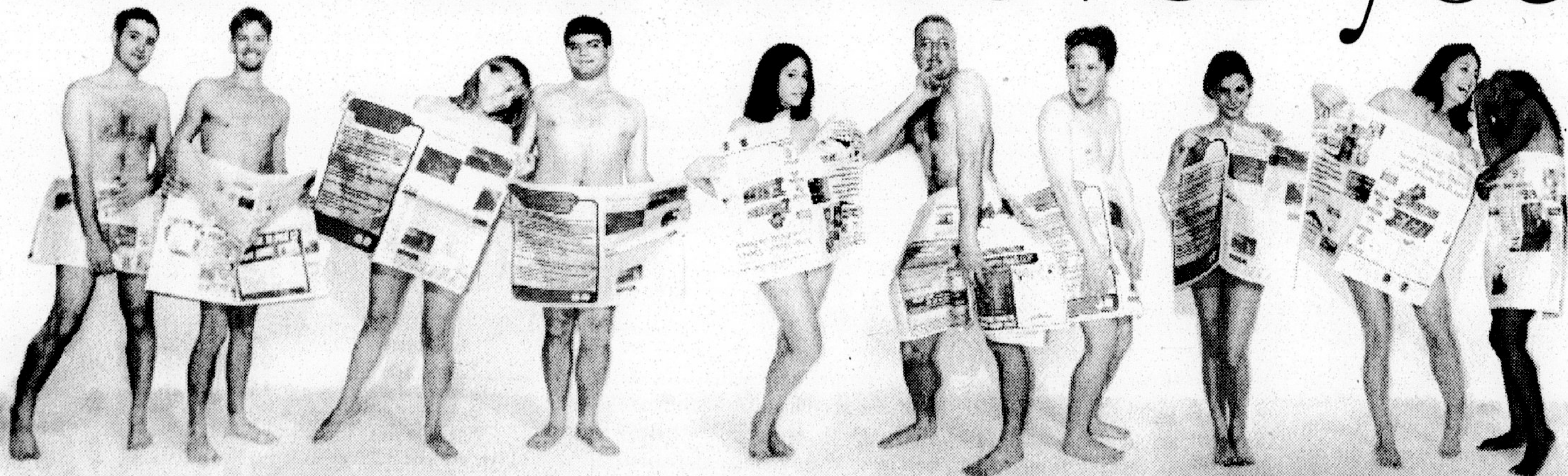
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