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Legislative budget cutbacks hit home

\$1.2 million cut second to Chapel Hill's \$1.4

TK JONES
STAFF WRITER

Beginning the next fiscal year, ECU will face a cutback of \$1.2 million, second only in the UNC-system to UNC-Chapel Hill's cut of \$1.4 million.

"I have discussed matters of ECU funding with members of legislature ... and I'm sure other trustees are talking (about the cut) to members that they know," said Jordan Whichard, chairman of the trustees' finance committee.

The \$1.2 million comes from a larger cutback of a proposed \$6.7 million from the general funds account of the UNC system.

According to Richard Brown, vice chancellor for administration and finance, the money would have been used to replace older vehicles and a garbage truck.

The state standard for vehicle replacement is 10 years or 100,000 miles. A total of 34 vehicles are approaching their 10-year-old mark. For garbage trucks, the standard replacement time is seven years because they receive more use. Currently the university owns two garbage trucks, one of which needs to be replaced. A new truck costs approximately \$100,000.

If funds aren't appropriated to replace the vehicles, then maintenance responsibilities fall in the hands of the university's mechanics. Vehicles less than 10 years old or under 100,000 miles are serviced under warranty at a dealership.

As it stands, four mechanics and one supervisor at the automotive services garage maintains over 600

units, including ground equipment and vehicles. At one time there were six mechanics and one supervisor, but that number was reduced by a previous budget cut in 1989.

1989 brought Hurricane Hugo and economic hardship to North Carolina. The state reduced spending by removing

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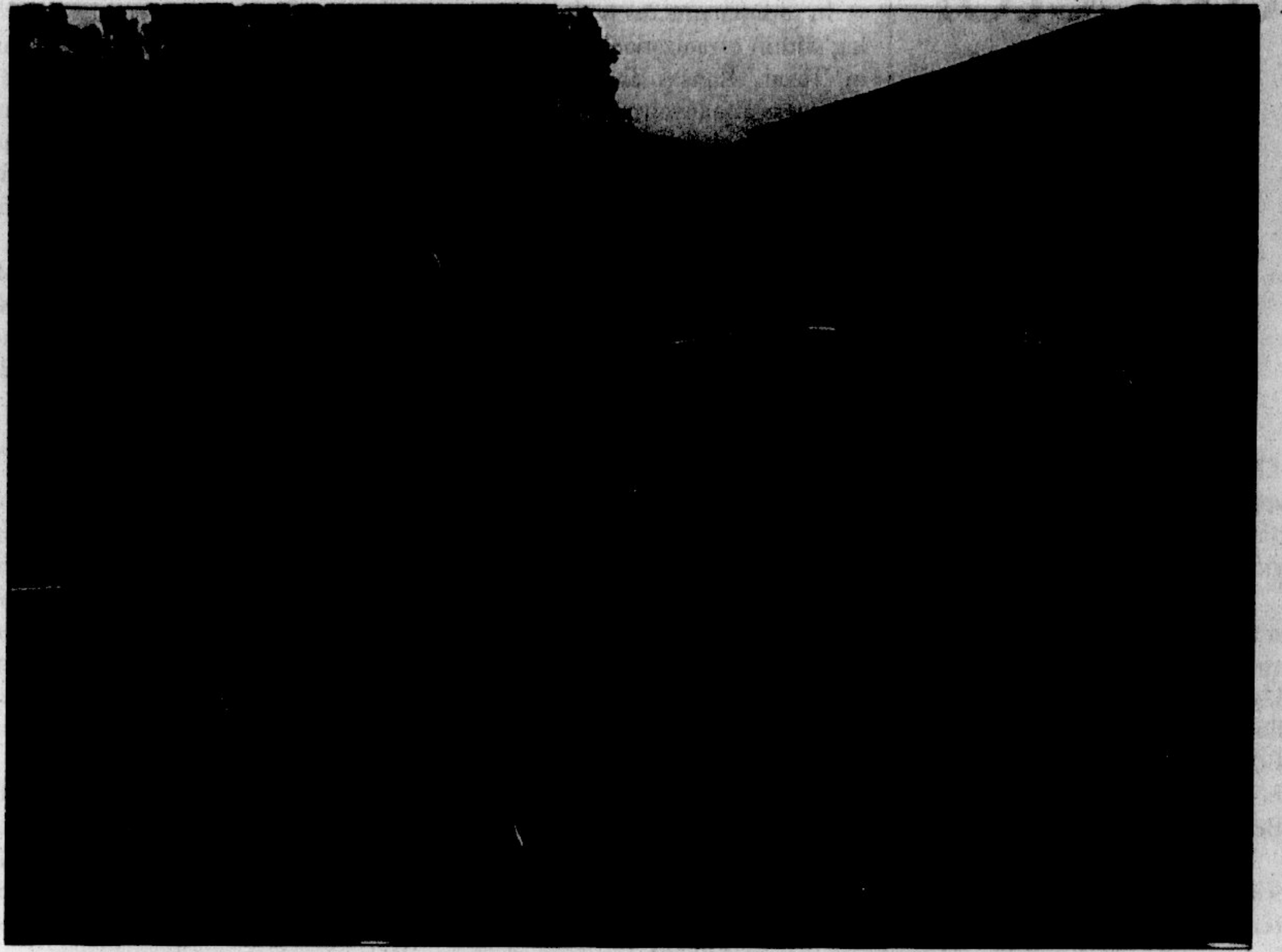
any vacancies in positions at academic institutions.

"When things are going badly, I can understand budget cuts," Brown said. "But when things are going well, I don't understand them."

Of the UNC system, ECU's financial losses are second to

UNC-Chapel Hill, ranking number one with a \$1.4 million cut.

"One of the reasons Chapel Hill's cut was high was do to a new building not being completed on time," Brown said.



Due to legislative cutbacks of \$1.2 million a total of 34 campus vehicles approaching their 10-year-old mark can not be replaced.

PHOTO BY JASON FEATHER

Funding shortage cancels Croatan dig

Cost estimated at roughly \$13,300

MOHAMED HUSSEIN
STAFF WRITER

Archaeologists won't be "diggin' up bones" on Hatteras Island this summer due to a shortage of funding which has caused a stand still on an archaeological dig that many student volunteers were scheduled to participate in.

The dig, primarily focused on finding the historic Croatan capital and some valuable artifacts, is lead by ECU archaeologist Dr. David Phelps. Phelps said the funding shortages have forced him to cancel

the dig which was scheduled for the end of the spring semester and early June.

"All of my volunteers are just thoroughly crestfallen," Phelps said.

The price of the project is approximately \$13,300. But in reference to the historical and cultural ramifications that finding any artifacts would lead to, the dig is immensely profitable.

Initially, the project was to be financed wholly from an account within ECU's academic foundation. The funds for the Croatan project were to cover expenses, salaries for interns and costs related to scientific processes.

Now, Phelps hopes funding will come from local donors who see the

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Nance Mize named "Volunteer of the Year"

Honor presented by Special Olympics

NATASHA PHILLIPS
SENIOR WRITER

The Director of Recreational Services, Ms. Nance Mize, was recently honored by the Greenville-Pitt County Special Olympics committee as "Volunteer of the Year."

Mize was named for her dedication and continuous service to both the organization and it's members.

Nance Mize,
Recreational Service

PHOTO BY JASON FEATHER

"I feel that she deserves the reward because of her commitment to the Special Olympics. Her willingness to help is evident locally and regionally. She's dedicated to providing the athletes with quality events," said Alice Keene, director of Pitt Community Schools and

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Million dollar diploma



Many students who work hard through their college careers do not realize the worth of their degree, which can equal \$1 million over a lifetime.

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4 year degree may earn \$1 million over life span

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CAROLYN ROBBINS HYDE
STAFF WRITER

Learning is no longer a one-time event, but a continuous, life-long process.

When you weigh the net worth of an undergraduate degree earned from ECU against the costs

involved, the rewards are colossal.

In the recent publication of "The East Book: A Guide to Markets and Purchasing Patterns in Eastern North Carolina," information was gathered by students hired by the Survey Research Laboratory to conduct telephone interviews. These interviews took place between May 5 and June 18, 1996. This survey showed approximately 1,255,413 people live in the 22 eastern counties involved in the survey. Of this amount, 458,554 households have an average yearly family income of \$34,674.

According to this research, an undergraduate four-year degree from ECU may be worth more than a million dollars over the course of

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Transit authority sets guidelines for drivers

Managers can earn \$13,430 to \$18,710

WILLIAM LELIEVER
STAFF WRITER

The student transit authority recently set strict guidelines for all student managers and drivers; approving a compensation proposal, setting maximum work hours and making new job

qualifications. Managers must be enrolled for at least nine hours of classes and receive a minimum GPA of 2.3. In addition, they must have a valid class 'B' N.C. drivers license.

Student transit managers earn between \$13,430 to \$18,710 a year, making them the highest paid student employees on campus. Their salaries, received as a monthly stipend, come in addition to money for tuition, text books and housing costs.

"I am about to get a raise," said Dean Wheeler, transit manager. "I think that most (transit) positions will not be affected that much by the changes."

Transit Drivers get paid per hour with a starting pay of eight dollars per hour. Transit drivers must be enrolled students who maintain a 2.0 GPA and possess a class 'B' N.C. driver's license. Drivers may not be hired if they have previous DWIs or

reckless driving citations.

"I think they set these qualifications to be self monitored by the transit," said Eric Rivenbark, SGA president. "If they work 40 hours or 60 hours, the managers will get the same monthly stipend. I think it is important for the drivers and managers to realize that they are students and they need to concentrate on that first. Transit should be just a part-time job while they are in school."

The maximum work hours for transit employees is 40 hours a week. The

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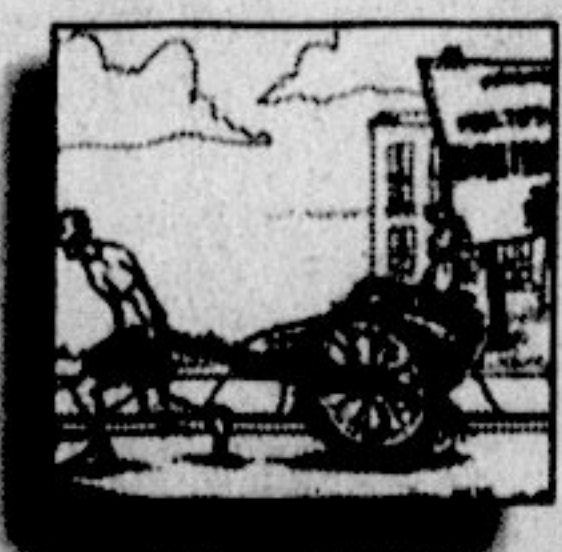
(transit) give more people the opportunity so as to allow management to have enough students to draw from," said Joey Weatherington, transit advisor.

According to Rivenbark, transit is one of three in the nation that is student run. He says ECU's transit may not be the most efficiently run system because it is student run and student funded, but it is important to know that students are running the show and doing a good job.

WEDNESDAY

TODAY
Thunderstorms
high 95
low 71
TOMORROW
Thunderstorms
high 85
low 69

3 Opinion



Give back to the community

5 Lifestyle



Beatty tries to rap; makes movie crap

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Football players charged with assault

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Varner named library director

Will take over post
August 15

WILLIAM LELIEVER
STAFF WRITER

The Board of Trustees has approved the selection of a new director of academic library services.

Carroll Varner, presently associate dean of university libraries and associate professor at Illinois State University, will take over as ECU's library director August 15. The Board approved his position with full tenure, eliminating candidate Bede Mitchell from the running.

The director's responsibilities will be to serve as senior administrative officer of Academic Library Services (ALS), report directly to the vice chancellor for academic affairs and serve on the university administrative council.

The director will also work with the faculty and staff in developing and implementing a vision for the libraries future, help complete the internal restructuring now in progress and seek extramural support.

In addition, the director is responsible for leading library development initiatives, providing technology leadership for the library and helping to develop quality collections and services commensurate with a Doctoral II institution.

"All the candidates that applied (including Varner) said that their primary goal of the library was to support the students," said Pat Elks, executive assistant to the director.

According to Keats Sparrow, head of the nominating committee, the committee solicited information from the faculty senate libraries committee, from the deans across campus, department heads and the library faculty and staff. Finalists were recommended to the chancellor, who made the final decision.

"I feel the library personnel as a whole voted for the candidates that the search committee made the official recommendation for," Elks said.

"Both candidates put a lot of emphasis on technology when I met them," said Linda Coward, processing assistant.

Volunteer

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Recreation.

The "Volunteer of the Year Award" is distributed based upon community service and concern for the special population.

"Nance's long-time commitment and enthusiasm are admirable. She's as committed today as she was in 1979," Keene said.

In addition to actively participating within organizational functions in Texas, Kansas and Missouri, Mize was also involved in the N.C. State Special Olympics Summer Games in 1991 and 1992. She helped organize the event, which included training hundreds of volunteers.

"The State games were a lot of fun. I enjoyed working with the volunteers and I made a lot of new friends," said Mize.

During the summer games, Mize served as a venue director in her area of expertise: track.

"I had experience coaching track at a collegic level; therefore, I believed that I could bring something positive to the organization. I hope that I've provided a certain degree of professionalism and a sense of commitment," said Mize.

The April 23 event, which was sponsored by the Greenville Parks and Recreation Department, honored Mize for her years of service and devotion.

"It's always nice to be recognized, especially for such a wonderful cause. I have a cherished place in my heart for Special Olympians. However, I kept asking myself, 'Why me?' There are so many more deserving people," said Mize.

Mize will continue to serve as a member of the local steering committee, which helps with local budgeting, programming and fund raising.

"I enjoy being on the local steering committee because I believe

that all of us need to assume leadership roles. Giving back to the community is something everyone needs to do. I want to help the Special Olympics program be the best it can be," said Mize.

In 1999, North Carolina will host the Special Olympics World Games. The games will include 7,000 athletes, 2,000 coaches, 15,000 family members and an estimated 20,000 volunteers.

"I plan on being a part of the International games next year. I always enjoy working with the volunteers and athletes," said Mize. "Working with them helps me put things into perspective. They work so hard and have to overcome so much. They've taught me that it's the experience that counts, not the winning or losing. They're what life is all about."

If you would like additional information regarding the Special Olympics and/or volunteering for the 1999 event, please call Mize at 328-6858.

Degree

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a lifetime.

An average annual income of \$24,728 was reported by those with a high school diploma. The survey showed an average annual income of \$33,666 in households in which a two-year degree was earned from a community college. An average income of \$48,603 was earned in households where at least one person had earned a four-year college degree.

"This data indicates an annual income increase of \$8,938 if at least one person in the household earned a community college degree," said Dr. Ken Wilson, associate professor of sociology and director of the Survey Research Laboratory.

"PCC offers a two-year degree at an average cost of \$2,000, which includes tuition, fees and books," said Susan Nobles, director of external affairs division of Pitt Community College.

According to Michael P. Balko, Jr., university cashier, a North Carolina resident could earn a four-year degree from ECU for roughly \$26,000 (including tuition, fees, books, room and board).

The data showed that households where at least one person earned a four-year degree, the annual income increased by \$23,875. This investment increases family income by approximately \$1.1 million over a person's lifetime.

Wilson suggests a college degree is not only a good investment for the student, but also for the state of North Carolina.

"The state currently pays \$6,977 per semester for each in-state student at ECU, but each graduate pays extra taxes on the extra income earned. If the student remains in North Carolina, over the course of their lifetime, the state should collect about \$100,000 in extra taxes."

"The East Book" provides information on the buying habits and marketing patterns of residents of the 22 counties which comprise

the center of eastern North Carolina. Other information collected from this survey included the typical spending amounts on such items as groceries, clothing and other pertinent information regarding the patterns of spending in eastern North Carolina.

This survey showed 20 percent of the households interviewed take at least one long vacation a year. Nearly half of the surveyed people reported eating breakfast away from home on a typical day. During the week, this figure jumps to nearly 60 percent for lunches outside of the home. Also noted was the fact that during the week, this figure rises to 67 percent for dinner meals. Primary sources of receiving information remains the newspapers, word-of-mouth and being familiar with the place of purchase.

To receive an individual copy of "The East Book" please contact the ECU Regional Development Services, Willis Building, 300 E. First St., Greenville, NC 27858, or call (252) 328-6650.

Croatian

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academic importance of such a project.

"I hope to get enough money for a one week project and a longer dig in the fall because we don't want to lose the continuity of the project," Phelps said.

In previous years, the Croatian excavation team found parts of the old Croatian capital and a multitude of priceless artifacts. Some of the finds connected European settlers to the Native Americans on the island of Hatteras for the first time.

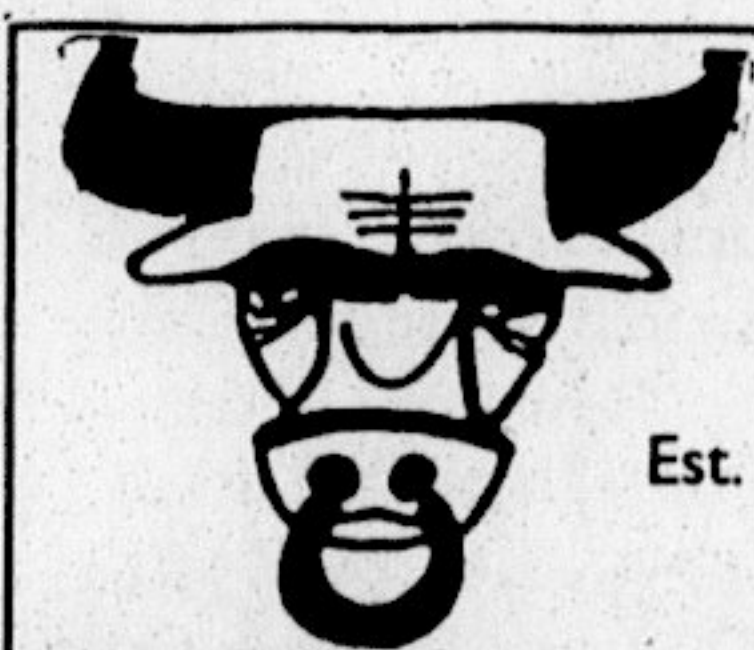
Phelps is hopeful that local contributors will see the value of the project and choose to support it monetarily.

TECHNICAL BOT

Friday, May 15 Meeting of the Board of Trustees

DECISIONS MADE

- Appointment of Dr. Marilyn Sheerer as professor and dean of the School of Education
- Appointment with permanent tenure of Dr. Ronald Nowaczky, professor and chairman of the department of psychology
- Approval of Dr. Ronald Newton, professor and chair of the department of biology
- Approval of Dr. Carroll Varner as library director
- Named the conference room in the School Administration Suite in honor of Mr. William Cain
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Our View

Summer school classes are in session; class loads are lighter and, quite frankly, we often find ourselves sitting on our behinds with absolutely nothing to do. But, there is something to do. This is the perfect time of year to turn off the television set, pull ourselves away from the downtown scene for a night or two, get our behinds in gear and volunteer. It doesn't matter where — just do it!

You may be asking yourself, "Why me? What's in this for me?" Well, if you think hard enough the options are endless. For starters you are taking the time to perform a selfless act to help someone else. Someone who is in need of your services. This someone is that someone who will appreciate your graciousness more than you can ever imagine.

We know that some of you could care less about helping others and would much rather sit at home watching everyone else do the work, so let's take this volunteer thing from a different angle. The incentive you might need is in regards to your resume'. Yeah, you heard it right, your resume'. A few hours a week offering a helping hand will make a great impact on your resume and it's simple. Just pick up the phone and call a charitable organization, when they answer just ask one simple question: What can I do to help? When it comes time to apply for a real job or apply for admissions to graduate school, what you may not realize is that people are looking for a lot more than dazzling grades and a pretty smile. People want to hire a person or admit people into their programs who are willing to put forward their time, they want wholesome, well-rounded individuals.

What could be better than volunteering? It is simple; just get up and go. You don't even have to apply.

When you put forth a selfless act it is clear that you have grown as a person. When you volunteer it makes you feel good about yourself and makes others feel good about you. We may live in a selfish society, surrounded by superficial people, but that doesn't mean you have to be a part of it. Make the world a nicer place where people can rely on others for just about anything. Though you may not receive a pay check, you will receive something more: the love, respect and appreciation of others, of a stranger.

OPINION Columnist

Britt
HONEYCUTT

Students: the new commodity



... it doesn't matter what we
like to drink, even though
we're the ones paying
hundreds of dollars for the
meal plans that will buy the
sodas, and thousands of
dollars of our tuition for the
salaries of those making our
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move you make, controls every
thing you do, and sometimes what
you think. And now he wants to rob
you of one of the few free choices
you have left: what you quench
your thirst with.

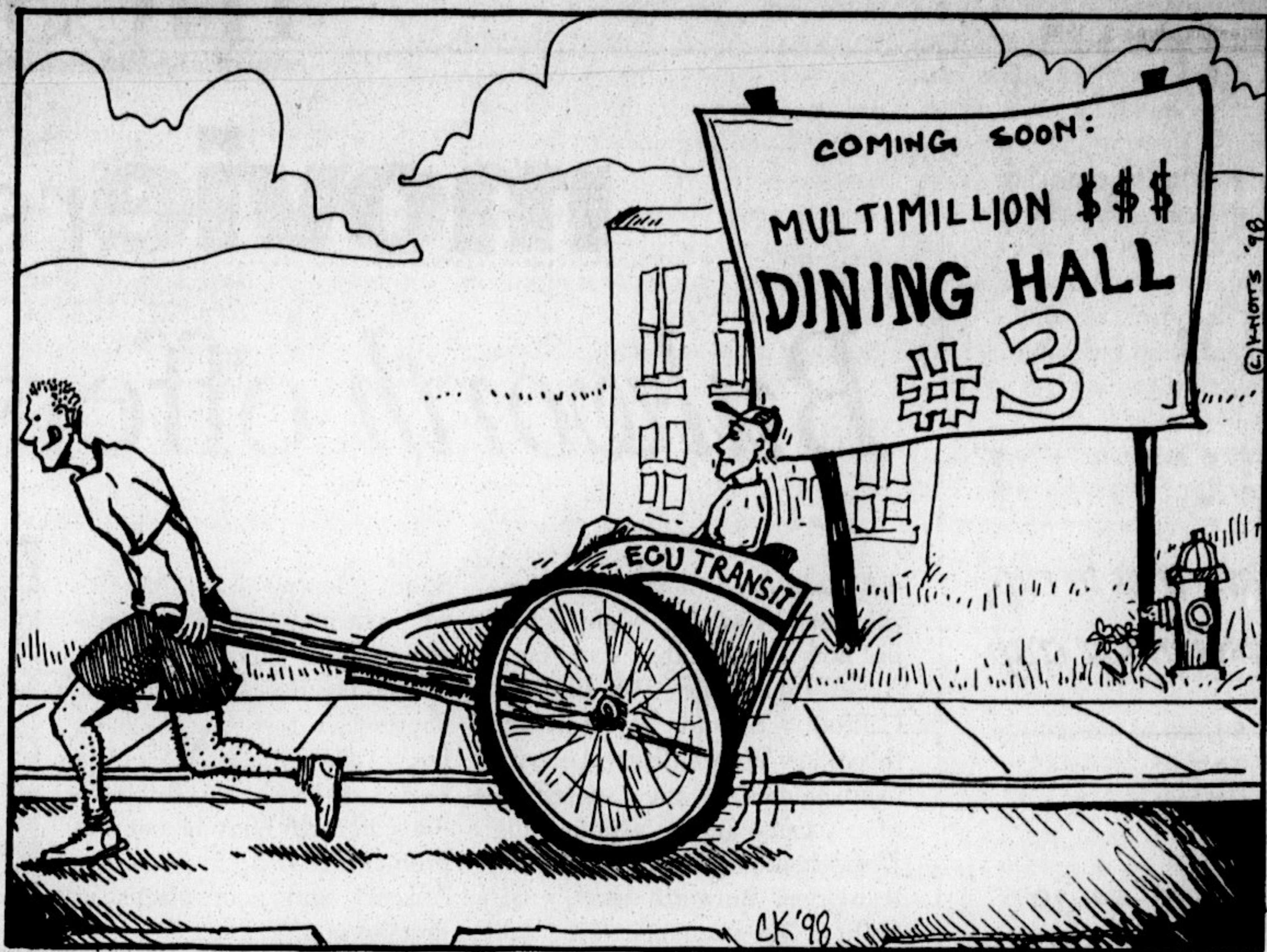
Surprising? Not really.
Infuriating? Most definitely. What
everyone else seems to be con-
cerned with on the cola issue is
whether we should keep our fami-
ly ties with Pepsi or go for the big
money from Coke. That's not the
deal. It's the fact that we are being
robbed of our own free will by a
corporation — and by our own
school. It's not like corporate
America doesn't have a say in
everything that happens through-
out your lifetime anyway. But at
least we're usually allowed to think
we're in control of our own des-
tinies. With this little deal they're
working out, they are taunting us
with our lack of power over our
own thirst.

We are being sold out by our
prestigious, upstanding university.
Sure, they're gonna rake in some
bucks — which will no doubt go
toward building another much
needed novelty clock on the mall
— but what is the price of our free-
dom?

It doesn't matter to me if Coke
or Pepsi wins, although I would
feel like a Nazi drinking Coke in
Minges Coliseum, the house that
Pepsi built. The point is that no
one has asked the students what
they think here. Apparently, it
doesn't matter what we like to
drink, even though we're the ones
paying hundreds of dollars for the
meal plans that will buy the sodas,
and thousands of dollars of our
tuition for the salaries of those
making our most minute decisions
for us without even considering
what we think. But what's the big
deal, right? It's just soda!

Just soda... today. Last time it
was just a food service (Aramark)
that was given monopoly over cam-
pus. How happy are we with that?
Where do we stop it? Next week
ECU will probably give "dressing
rights" to the Gap. We'll all have to
walk around daily in khakis,
pullovers, and skorts. I've seen this
pattern before somewhere...
Hmm, was it communism?

We are a nation founded upon
freedom of choice. We all have
individual tastes. Coke and Pepsi
products are very different. Don't
give us another reason to avoid the
dining hall.



OPINION Columnist

Jeff
BERGMAN

Looking for answers

thing (except for tires).

The volleys of bullets may be
violent acts, but not what I consid-
er violent. Consider what violence
you may have seen. Bullets may
fly through the air, but what impact
is shown?

If television shows were truly
violent then you would see the bul-
let entering the skull and leaving a
softball-sized hole in the back.
What is left of the brain would be
expelled in particles resembling
mush. But we do not see this on
television shows, or do we?

If violence on television is to
blame then the most violent shows
should take the responsibility. The
shows on television that I have
seen the most violence on are the
news programs. MSNBC, along
with many other network channels,
showed a live shot of a some poor
soul committing suicide. Nothing
like a live suicide to draw in more
viewers.

You believe that children do not
watch the news and you would be
right. I never watched the news
when I was a kid, but my parents
did. I can recall sitting on the floor
playing with my Erector set while
my dad watched the news. I heard
of the United States bombing
Libya, the murder of another citi-
zen by OUR government, and
even seeing the occasionally dis-
membered body from some
African, Central American or
Middle Eastern nation.

What of the people who grew up
watching the Vietnam war every
night, on the news, during supper?
This conflict was not only violent,
but also very much real. That gen-
eration did not grow up to be as vi-
olent as we are lead to believe soci-

ety is now.

I watched some pretty disgust-
ing shows when I was younger. I sat
through *Halloween*, *Nightmare on
Elm Street*, *Patton*, and even the
original *Lone Ranger* and *Superman*
(not only were guns fired but they
were thrown when the bad guys
were out of bullets).

Now here is the funny part, I
did not get a gun and mow down
my peers. What is the difference
between myself and others like
me, who have the hot tempers, yet
did not go through with the
killings? I wish I could blame the
one-eyed bandit, television.
Television violence is being
blamed but to blame programming
would be to blame the news.

Let us play what if. What if tele-
vision is the root of all evil? What
then? Banning any programing
because of its content, is a severe
violation of the first amendment
(my belief, not the FCC's). If tele-
vision is to blame, then who is let-
ting these children watch these
programs? Whatever happened to
parental involvement? Even fur-
ther than that, what if movie vi-
olence is also causing these prob-
lems? Who is letting these kids into
the R-rated flicks?

I do not know what caused
these children to kill, and I do not
think the answer is as easy as blam-
ing television.

One last thought — consider
this: if a black inner city kid com-
mits a crime, such as shooting a
good portion of the student body, it
is violence in the rap industry; if a
white suburban WASP kid does the
same, it is television. Just an obser-
vation.

LETTER to the editor

Kudos to Health Center staff

We are always so quick to complain
when things are bad or when peo-
ple perform less than satisfactory. It
is important to recognize when peo-
ple do an excellent job, especially
when people go above and beyond
the call of duty. I am specifically
referring to the ECU Health
Center.

For example, it is wonderful the
way the staff will do their best to
work you in, even if you don't have
an appointment. There have been
several times when I needed urgent
care and the staff worked me in.

During my visits, the staff has
always been friendly and courteous.
Nurses and providers actually take
the time to listen to your problems.
They seem sincere in wanting to
gather as much information before
diagnosing the problem.

The staff also spends time
explaining things thoroughly rather
than rushing patients through the
door. I always felt comfortable dis-
cussing any questions or concerns
with the staff. I never felt like just a
number, instead I felt like I was get-
ting personal care. Wouldn't it be

awesome if every health care facili-
ty offered such care? (Not to men-
tion if the cost of the services were
as reasonable!)

Even though I am excited about
graduating, I am going to miss the
services at the Health Center. It's
easy to take the services for granted
when you are a student while you
are a student. We should not take
these services for granted. Every
staff person there deserves special
attention.

Tracey Hoback

LETTER to the editor

Cash: the real thing

It's obvious what the ECU Board of
Trustees feels is "the real thing."
It's NOT appreciation.

The Minges family has con-
tributed generously to ECU over
several years. With both time and
money.

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going, selfless support is one that

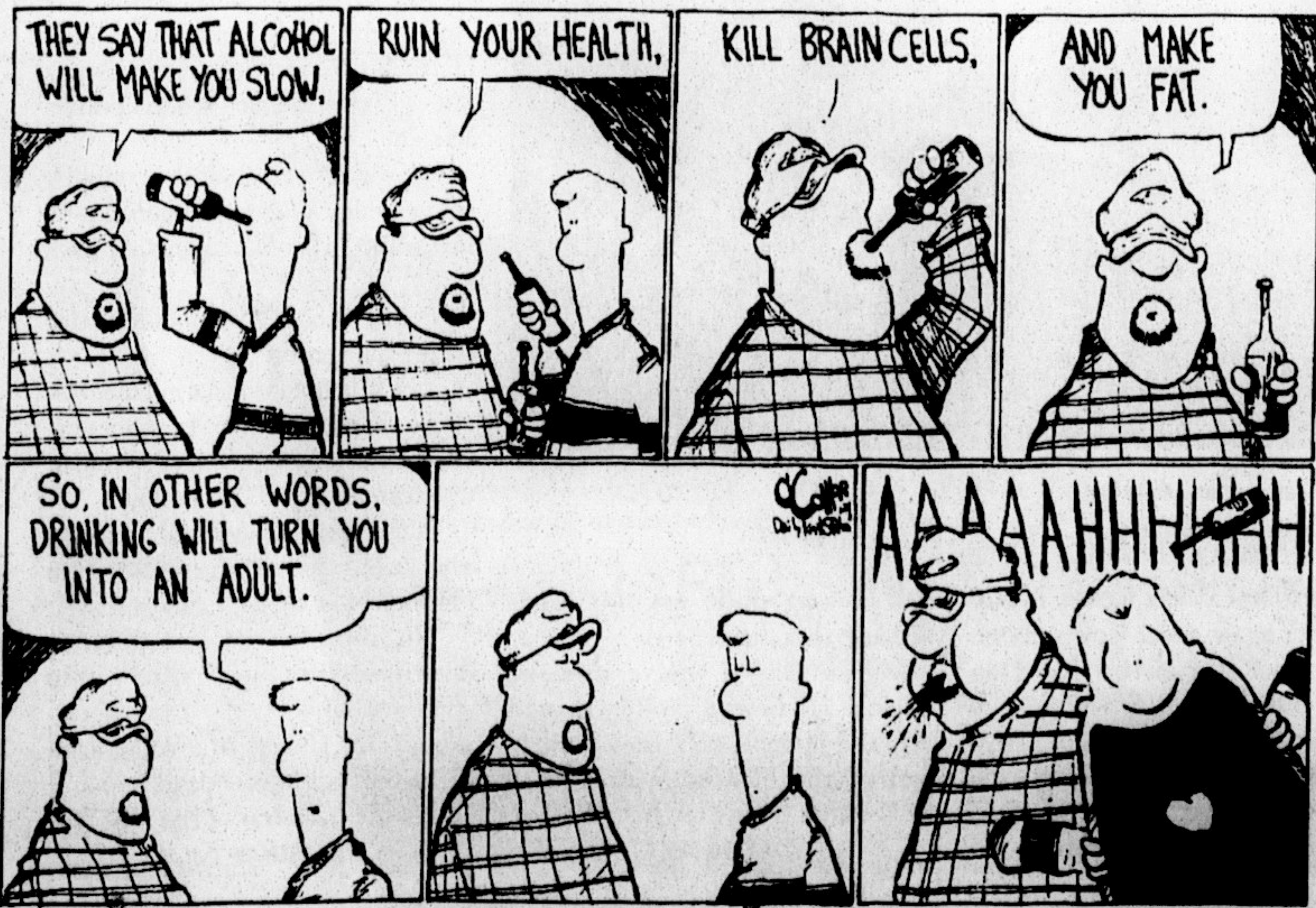
most institutions would want to cul-
tivate and sustain over the life of an
institution.

It's NOT choice.

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ited. You can't buy the soft drink of
your choice. You'll have to select
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loudly and clearly declared:
CASH — it's the real thing.

Paul D. Wright
Media Board Adviser



lifestyle

movie review



Bulworth offers nothing new

Beatty tries to rap, makes movie crap

JENNIFER LEGGETT
SENIOR WRITER

4 OUT OF 10

Ever wondered what would happen if Jesse Helms got a conscience, stopped being a homophobic racist, pissed off all his campaign contributors and then hired a hit man to bump him off to spare his constituents his scandal filled legislation? It wouldn't happen. But if it

did, *Bulworth*, a movie less believable than *Godzilla*, might reflect just how shocking that would be.

Set around the 1996 elections, California Senator Jay Bulworth (played by Warren Beatty) becomes overwhelmed by the expectations of campaign fundraising. Disenchanted with his role in shady legislation, Bulworth takes a \$10 million life insurance bribe and hires a hit man to bump himself off. Showing the stress of the job and feeling he only has a short time left to live, Bulworth loosens up his lips and lets the truth about California politics fly.

The re-election campaign trail brings Bulworth into the hoods of

South Central Los Angeles where he meets seductive, mysterious Nina (played by Halle Berry), the daughter of an ex-Panther. A few blunts, some booty shakin' music, and a bucket of KFC later, Bulworth finds himself blurting out the problems with rich white America and poor blacks in rhyming couplets.

That's right. He raps. Whitey-style. Beatty sounds more like Rico Suave than Chuck D with his embarrassing Mother Goose flow and his shocking lack of rhythm. Think Bob Saget on *Soul Train*. The saggy pants and hip-hop gear



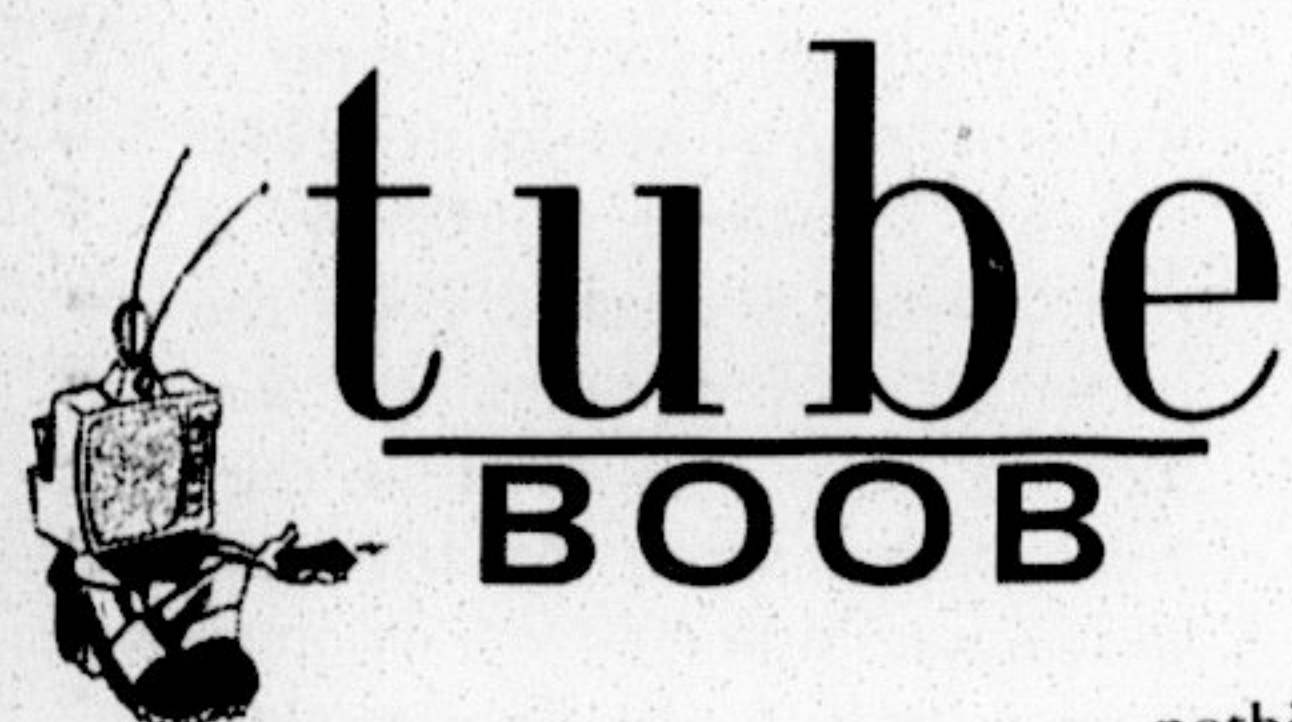
aren't very convincing either.

Bulworth goes around in circles. It is yet another scream at the system that gets nowhere. Beatty, Berry and Oliver Platt as well as a large cast of familiars, deliver a few funny moments. However, this flick is more of a side show than anything else. Full of racial insults disguised as lighthearted humor, Bulworth abuses clichés about blacks, WASPs, Jews, cops and anyone else you could throw into the mix. A drug dealer gone good, a chicken and rib joint in the hood, racist cops and an over-anxious coke snorting campaign manager are just a few of the hackneyed portrayals *Bulworth* pre-

sents.

Bulworth finally decides near the end of the movie that he doesn't want to die after all. In true Hollywood fashion, even after all of his off-hand remarks on national television, he still carried the election. Yeah, that would happen.

Bulworth has its moments. The rhymes are bad; the dancing is embarrassing. But when Beatty offers up his solution to economic distress between the classes, "We should all keep fucking until we're all the same color," for a few moments it wasn't embarrassing to be one of the only people in the theater.



You watch TV? Of course you do — you're an American. You watch TV, speak TV, live TV, become TV. Everyone knows that. What you don't know is that TV is watching you...

You don't even have to leave your couch

MARK BRETT
SENIOR WRITER

Ah, summer. The weather's warm, the air is sweet, and there's so much to do...

Wait! What am I talking about? This is Greenville! It's nasty hot, the air's too thick to force down your lungs, and there's absolutely

nothing going on! You might as well stay inside and watch television all summer!

And, as long as you're parked on the couch, you might as well watch something good. Not that everyone watches crap all the time (in spite of what the Nielsen ratings indicate), but there are always a few shows out there that deserve more attention. Shows that have the quality, but not the audience. Shows that just get no respect.

So, since all your faves are in repeats, expand your horizons a bit. Check out these Rodney Dangerfields of the TV world, and give them the respect they crave.

Homicide. Despite the fact that it never wins or even gets nominated for an Emmy, or even a lousy Golden Globe, *Homicide* is consistently the best dramatic hour on television. A police procedural that

takes a close look inside the Baltimore Homicide division, this show consistently delivers intelligent and compelling scripts, with complex characters to boot.

It also features (for now) the talents of Andre Braugher, generally considered to be the finest actor working in television today. Braugher's character quit the force in the gripping season finale, and he won't be back in the fall. But in this summer's repeats you can see him in all his glory. So watch him now, while you can.

Not that the rest of the cast is bad. *Homicide* also features fine performances from Yaphet Kotto (*Alien*) and underground TV veteran Richard Belzer. If you like *NYPD Blue*, and you're not watching *Homicide*, what the hell's wrong with you? Get your head out of Bocheoland and check out some-

thing even better.

Law and Order. In a similar vein, we have the other great cop show that nobody's watching. Every week, *Law and Order* follows a crime from the beginning of the police investigation to the final judgement in the courtroom. Another strong cast, more compelling stories and an even smaller audience than *Homicide*. Somebody watch this so I can shut up about it!

Buffy the Vampire Slayer. I know what you're thinking. Isn't this that show based on that stupid movie with Pee Wee Herman and that *90210* guy? Well, yes. But the movie's not so stupid, and both the movie and the show are the brainchildren of Joss Whedon, the man who brought us *Heathers*. While they don't let him be quite as cruelly twisted here as they did in that teen movie classic, it comes pretty

close.

Buffy, at its best, is a slick parody of high school life and horror movies. If you liked *Scream* (and I cringe at that comparison), *Buffy* is generally better. It does have its off weeks, but its strong ensemble cast of characters (including Buffy's vampire boyfriend and another high school kid who's a werewolf) tends to save all but the worst scripts.

Remember, though, the one unchangeable rule of the series: anybody can die, at any time. Buffy herself has already gone through death's door once, so be prepared for any number of nasty ends.

Star Trek: Deep Space Nine. Sometimes I feel like I'm the only Trekkie in the world who likes this show. But because of its strong acting and fine scripts, I still consider it

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Questions remain in comedian's death

Wife allegedly shot Hartman while he slept

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Phil Hartman's wife left his body on their bloody bed and went to a friend's house to confess the killing before returning home to kill herself, newspapers reported Saturday.

After shooting the comedian as he slept around 2 a.m. Thursday, Brynn Hartman went to the home of a male friend, the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Daily News* of Los Angeles reported, citing sources they did not identify.



Phil Hartman
PHOTO COURTESY OF PHIL
HARTMAN WEB PAGE

The friend was not identified. Nearly incoherent, Mrs. Hartman confessed to the killing but the friend did not believe her, the *Times* said. However, after she fell asleep he checked her purse and found a handgun that he confiscated, the newspaper said.

Mrs. Hartman, 40, awoke several hours later, returned to her home with the friend and locked herself in the bedroom with the body of her 49-year-old husband, the *Times* said.

The friend called 911 about 6:20 a.m. and was escorting the Hartmans' nine-year-old son, Sean, out of the house when police arrived.

As the officers took the couple's six-year-old daughter, Birgen, out of the home, Mrs. Hartman shot herself in the head.

Police would not confirm the newspaper reports.

"That is not information that has come out of our office. I cannot verify that as being accurate," police spokesman Mike Partain said.

A coroner's official said Saturday she could not confirm the time Hartman was shot.

"In the first 24 hours (after death) we can guesstimate within about two hours. We can't determine," Lt. Cheryl MacWillie said. "The only witness is dead."

Hartman, co-star of the NBC sit-

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"The King of Cool"

This is the column where we focus on the stuff we miss and the stuff you missed. We will examine the books, albums, movies and television shows we feel deserve further exploration. That stuff we dug back in the day...

Silver screen misses McQueen

ANDY TURNER
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

He's the "coolest goddamn mother-scratcher on the silver screen," according to the song "Steve McQueen" by the Athens, Ga. band, Drive-By Truckers. Indeed, whenever Steve McQueen is mentioned, the word "cool" is sure to follow. A recent television documentary sums it up nicely: *Steve McQueen: The King of Cool*.

Eighteen years ago the "King of Cool" took the big dirt nap down in Mexico after a bout with cancer. The Indiana native was the highest paid star of the '60s. Before his death at age 50, McQueen had starred in close to 30 movies including *Bullitt*, *The Blob*, *The Getaway*, *Junior Bonner* and *The Great Escape*. He was awarded the Golden Globe twice, in 1967 and 1970, for World Film Favorite and his performance

in *The Sand Pebbles* earned him a Best Actor Oscar in 1967.

He often had roles similar to those played by Paul Newman or Clint Eastwood: the alienated outsider who lives by his own moral code. That sort of role by now has become cliché, but McQueen's performances were anything but cliché. That type of hardened "outsider" character has to be able to believably suggest

inward "softness." Anybody can be a bad ass, but it requires something more to get across the sense of a tortured soul without it coming off as total sentimental crap.

McQueen had the "something more." You see it in his face with its hard-earned lines. You see it in

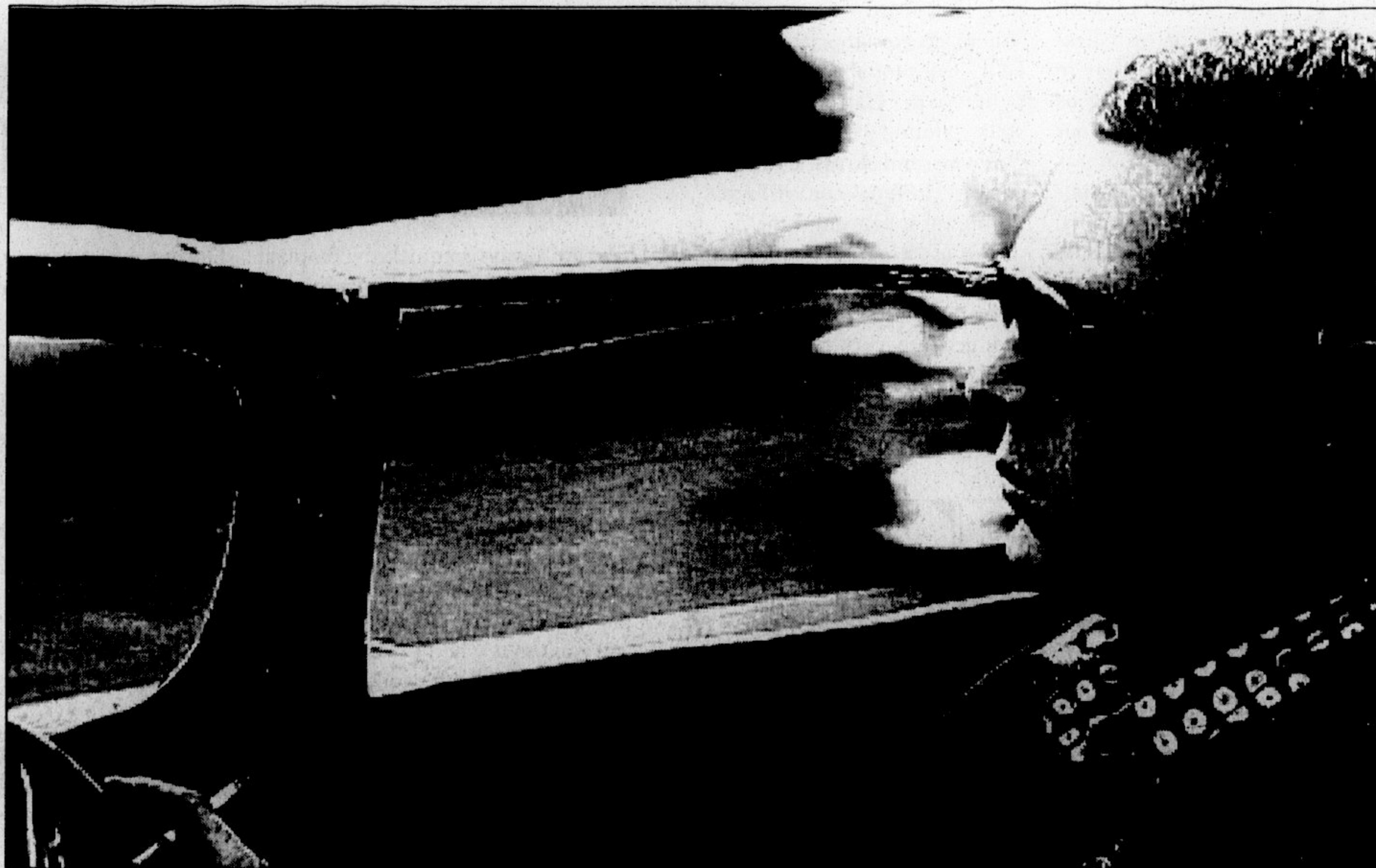
Junior Bonner, his second film (along with *The Getaway*) with Sam Peckinpah. He stars as a has-been rodeo star who returns home to his family. His parents have split up, and his brother is going to turn his father's ranch into a trailer park. Junior has to ride the toughest bull

in town so he can win money to buy his father a new ranch down under. His brother, played by Joe Don Baker, tells him, "I'm working on his first million while you're still working on eight seconds." It's the type of part that McQueen plays perfectly: the fool who should have

quit a long time ago, but can't because that's who he is.

By the way, if you've seen the original *The Getaway* and compared it to the remake, you too are likely part of the National Coalition to Kick Alec Baldwin In the Ass.

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"He never had an empty bottle or an empty bed."
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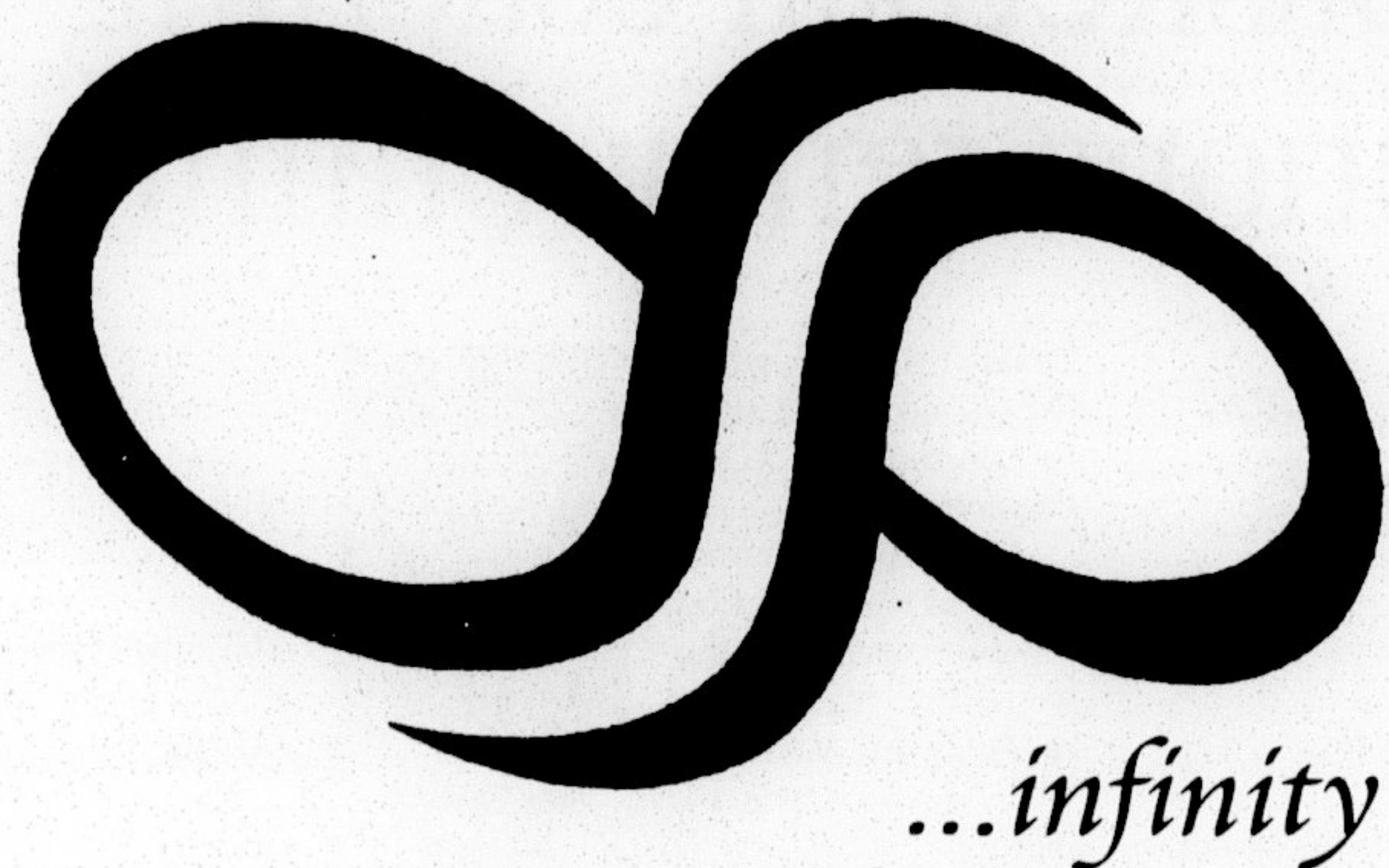
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the best Star Trek series ever. Unlike the other series, which are about finding neat solutions to problems, *DS9* recognizes that life seldom gives us an easy out. If you're really going to fix a problem, somebody's going to have to make a sacrifice, and it's in the making of those tough decisions that this show's brilliance lies. While it also has its off weeks, it's nice to see somebody in Starfleet get a bloody nose every now and again.

Plus, it features the Reanimator himself, Jeffrey Combs, in no less than two recurring roles! Any Star Trek series hip enough to hire this guy (and *Candyman*'s Tony Todd) is aces in my book. Hell, Tony Bennett even made a guest appearance a couple of weeks ago. He's the hippest cat in the Federation!

Babylon 5: I can't mention one space station show without bringing up the other one. Though not as well-acted or as well-written as *DS9*, *Babylon 5* makes up for its shortcomings with a continuing storyline that actually manages to be epic (something Trek always fails at so miserably). At its best, *Babylon 5* makes you feel like you're seeing

Great Events of History unfold. At its worst, it makes you long for the days of Buck Rogers at the space casino. But it's seldom at its worst. And since it's running nightly on TNT, you can see the whole thing from the beginning, so you don't get lost in all the Narn/Centauri/Vorlon/Minbari/Shadows references that get thrown around in the later episodes.

Okay, that's all we have time for this week, kids. I'm sure there are other shows out there worthy of more attention, but you can seek them out on your own. It's hot, and there's plenty of time...

Hartman

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com *NewsRadio*, was found partially covered by blood-soaked sheets. Mrs. Hartman was found next to him, leaning against the headboard, Craig Harvey, chief investigator for the coroner's office, told the Daily News.

Two revolvers were nearby,

Harvey said.

Mrs. Hartman had become distraught the night before when she read a note from her husband that implied he wanted to end the marriage, the *Daily News* said, citing a source close to the investigation. It did not detail the note's contents.

Family and friends have given conflicting accounts of the 11-year marriage.

"They had a pattern of arguing at night, and he would go to sleep and everything would be OK in the

morning," said Steven Small, a lawyer and close friend who represented the actor in his two divorces.

Small said that when he asked about the marriage earlier this month, Hartman, a former cast member of *Saturday Night Live*, told him: "It's as good as it's been. It's working fine."

"He was in therapy," Small said. "He was enjoying it and getting value out of it. He was more communicative, coming out of his shell."

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McQueen is the only Doc as far as I'm concerned. Jim Thompson, who wrote *The Getaway*, could kick Alec Baldwin's ass, and he's been dead for 20 years.

As the Drive-Truckers put it, Steve McQueen "never had an empty bottle or empty bed." He was a hard, soft, cool sonofabitch and the silver screen hasn't been the same without him.

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Football players accused of assaulting student

Athletes' future in ECU athletic program in doubt

PATRICK GIOVINAZZO
STAFF WRITER

Two ECU football players were recently charged with assaulting another student. Kevin Ward, of 215-C Scott Hall, and Travis Mazyck, of 213-D Scott Hall, were accused of physically assaulting another student at a Mendenhall fraternity party.

Apparently Ward saw the student arguing with a female friend at the party. Ward allegedly came up to the student and pushed him in the face. The student responded by pushing back, and Mazyck jumped in to defend his teammate. Ward is accused of then hitting the student

in the face, knocking him to the ground, where both athletes reportedly kicked him several times. The student has visited a doctor since sustaining the injuries.

Ward, a defensive back, and Mazyck, a wide receiver for ECU, are unsure what this incident will mean for their futures as ECU athletes. Sports Information Director Norm Reilly, is not making a definite prediction. "This will be a decision between our athletic director and head coach, but it will be dealt with internally," Reilly said. Neither of the players were available for comment on the situation.

The arrest was made on April 28 by campus police after a warrant had been secured from the magistrate's office. "We did, in fact, arrest them. We served warrants for simple assault on each of them," Sergeant Benson of the ECU Police Department said. Both Ward and Mazyck

"This will be a decision between our athletic director and head coach, but it will be dealt with internally."

Norm Reilly
Sports information director

were charged with simple assault, and then released from the Pitt County Detention Center on unsecured bonds. A preliminary court date had been set for May 27 in the Pitt County District Court. At that time, the court granted a continuance on the case to July 1.



Two members of the ECU football team were accused of assaulting a student at a fraternity party inside the Mendenhall Student Center. Their future in ECU athletics is still in doubt and will be decided by the Athletics Director, Mike Hamrick and Head Coach Steve Logan.

PHOTO BY JASON FEATHER

ECU track member dismissed from team

North no longer part of athletic department

TRACY HAIR
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Following a conviction on property damage charges on April 30, Ramondo North, a Charlotte native and sprinter for ECU track was dismissed from the team.

North was convicted and found guilty of causing property damage on February 26. North was allegedly found slashing the tires and breaking the windows of a vehicle that belonged to a former girlfriend. The victim summoned help from the Greenville City Police, who then directed her to the

Magistrate's office. A warrant for North's arrest was soon issued.

Prior to this offense, North was released from the football team as well, following allegations that he insulted a woman at a post-game party by soaking her with beer. It was also reported that he struck this same woman that night.

Convicted of this charge in Pitt County District Court, North appealed his case to a local superior court where the jury found him not guilty.

District Court Judge David Leech delayed the sentencing process until August 7 of this year during which Defense Attorney Cherry Stokes intends on seeking a

prayer-for-judgment for North. This seems relatively possible since

North was convicted on a misdemeanor charge. If Stokes is successful, North's criminal record will remain untainted, however, his career as an ECU athlete has officially ended.

Norm Reilly, sports information director, wished to refrain from offering many comments, though he did suggest that North is looking into transfer opportunities with NCA&T.

"As far as being a part of ECU though, Ramondo has definitely left the athletic department and the university, too," Reilly said.



Ramondo North
FILE PHOTO

Basketball coaching positions remain unfilled

Search on, should end soon

TRAVIS BARKLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

Three vacant coaching positions on the men's and women's basketball staffs here at ECU have yet to be filled.

The women's head coaching position has been open since April 15, when Anne Donovan resigned. Donovan left ECU to accept the head job with the Philadelphia Rage, a professional team playing in the American Basketball League.

On the men's team, Head Coach Joe Dooley remains, but two of his assistants have moved on. Lew Hill and Lane Odom both left the Pirate program in late April.

Hill accepted an assistant's job at

Texas A&M, while Odom accepted a similar position at UNC Charlotte.

A search committee has been named to find a new coach for the women's team, but there is no word on when a coach will be hired.

Assistant Athletics Director Norm Reilly said that the committee is making progress.

"The process is ongoing," Reilly said.

"There's not a specific deadline to hire a coach by, but the deadline to apply for the job has already passed."

The search committee consists of Athletics Director Mike Hamrick, co-chair of the Shared Visions Capital Campaign



Anne Donovan
FILE PHOTO



Joe Dooley
FILE PHOTO

Ward, ECU Faculty Athletics Chairman Ernie Schwarz, Assistant Sports Information Director Joanna Sparkman, former women's coach Rosie Thompson and current ECU player Danielle Melvin.

The decisions on the men's team will be made by Dooley.

"I think he's getting closer," Reilly said.

"Hopefully within a week we will have those positions filled."

Dooley says that he has received several applications and will make his decisions soon.

"There is a 30-day mandate from the state to advertise and hire for the jobs," Dooley said.

"I would say within the next week to ten days."

Men's cross country team announces newest recruits

Coaches pleased with incoming class

JIM PHELPS
STAFF WRITER

The ECU cross-country team has picked up some outstanding freshmen for the upcoming season.

Assistant Coach Mike Ford is pleased with the incoming class. "They are the strongest class coming in the history of ECU cross country," Ford said. "We are not losing any top runners and are adding six freshmen. It will be a very strong team."

The new runners have all achieved honorable accomplishments. Craig Littlefield of Raleigh, N.C., who was an all-state performer at Leesville Road High School, helped them to win the 1997 N.C. Cross Country Championships. His best time was 15:48 in the 5,000 meters.

Justin Poretti of Wilmington, N.C. was team captain of Laney High School cross country team and a second in-state recruit. His best time in high school was 16:07.

Scott Wolfe of Hurdle Mills, N.C., comes from Brevard Junior College which is known to produce great distance runners. He is

expected to add a great deal of leadership to the team.

James Trant of Fredericksburg, Va. will run the 10,000 meters next year. "The longer he goes, the better he is," Ford said.

Derrick Burrows of Woodbridge, Va. will run track and cross country at ECU and was an all-state selection in the mile and two-mile events.

Charlie Nikum of Clifton, Va. from Robinson High School will run for ECU this season and had times of 15:50 to 16:00 in 5K races.

From Elmira Heights N.Y., Ryan Bennett will also join the Pirates. He was team captain at Thomas Edison High School, a steeplechaser in track competitions and a recipient of the Interscholastic Athletic Conference sportsmanship award.

According to Coach Ford, certain players have entered and encour-

aged high expectations for the upcoming season.

"I'm expecting Derrick Burrows to do great things and to be a top-seven runner by mid-season," Ford said.

"Justin Poretti will add half-mile and mile to our track season and should do a good job for our team. Craig Littlefield should be a top-seven runner by mid-season and Bennett, Trant and Nikum will add to the depth but will probably not be scor-

ers. By mid-season they should be adjusted to the five miles." The recruits arrive on August 15. They started their training, a critical period for the runners, on June 1.

The coaches are expecting nine of the runners to break the nine minute mark this season. ECU cross country is very excited and feeling very positive about the upcoming



Mike Ford
FILE PHOTO

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Mike Ford
Assistant cross country coach

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June 12 regionals kick off State Games competition

Event amateur equivalent to olympics

CHRISTOPHER R. FARNSWORTH
STAFF WRITER

The amateur equivalent to the Olympics for North Carolina is taking place this June. The 1998 State Games of North Carolina are beginning with regionals June 12-14 in Morganton, High Point, Dunn and Roanoke Rapids. Youth baseball, youth basketball and youth soccer are the events being held, along with mountain biking and softball competition exclusively in Roanoke Rapids.

From there, the games move to the championships in Greensboro June 19-28. There, teams and individuals will compete for a medal, first taking gold, second silver, and third place taking home the bronze, a system identical to the Olympics. The Games' coordinators and organizers feel the medal system creates a more memorable and rewarding award than a trophy or plaque,

especially for the younger participants.

A wide variety of sports are offered including, baseball, basketball, soccer, tennis, volleyball, karate and tae kwon do, ice hockey and in-line hockey, boys and girls gymnastics, archery and many more. Even disc golf and shooting are available. The games offer athletic competition in a wide variety of sports to most ages and physical and personal development, the organizers feel.

One of those coordinating the event is Mick Kulikowski. Kulikowski believes that the Games promote health and physical fitness, along with a fair sense of competition, as each sport has a different level of skill.

"Whether you're a coach potato or a skilled athlete, you can compete," Kulikowski says. "There are different levels of skill, all of them

providing health and physical awareness."

Another positive attribute to the State Games is no age limitation. Everyone, no matter their age or experience, is able to play in any sport.

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Mick Kulikowski.
Event coordinator

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Murray State's Mayes, Tennessee Tech's Seng named OVC's athletes of year

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (AP) — Murray State basketball star De'Teri Mayes and Tennessee Tech two-sport athlete Diane Seng were named the Ohio Valley Conference's athletes of the year Monday.

Mayes edged out a pair of quarterbacks in Middle Tennessee State's Jonathan Quinn and Simon Fuentes of Eastern Kentucky to win the men's award. He picked up eight first-place votes in balloting by the league's athletic directors and sports information directors.

Mayes averaged a league-best 21.5 points per game last season in leading Murray State to the OVC regular-season and tournament titles. The Racers finished the season with a 29-4 record and a No. 25 ranking in The Associated Press poll.

Seng beat out Eastern Kentucky runner Jamie King, who was named the league's top runner in cross country and indoor and outdoor track.

Seng helped the Tennessee Tech volleyball team to the OVC tournament title and its first NCAA tournament appearance. She also led the Golden Eaglettes' basketball team in scoring at 17.7 points. The team shared the OVC's regular-season title.

Mayes and Seng will receive their awards Thursday at the league's honors lunch in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

West Va. State names new tennis coach

INSTITUTE, W.Va. (AP) — Sean McAndrews has been named head coach of both men's and women's tennis teams for West Virginia State College's 1998-99 season, school officials announced.

McAndrews, who is the college's director of compliance, academics and sports information, will give up his job as assistant coach of the college's women's basketball team.

The Weirton native replaces Tom McClure who had coached both teams since the 1995-96 season. McAndrews' previous experience with tennis came during graduate school when he served as a graduate assistant with West Virginia University's intramural department.

Keebler resigns from Alabama State, takes job at Montevallo

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Peggy Keebler resigned Friday as the interim coach of Alabama State's women's basketball team and said she was accepting the top position at Montevallo.

Keebler, who was an assistant to former coach Ron Mitchell for six years before taking over the program in March, is a graduate of Montevallo.

Keebler was captain of the basketball team for two years and had her number retired by the school when her playing career ended in 1990.

"The opportunity to go back

and be the head coach of my alma mater is a dream come true," Keebler said.

Pembroke names new women's head tennis coach, assistant basketball coach

PEMBROKE, N.C. (AP) — The University of North Carolina at Pembroke has named Sandi Mitchell head women's tennis coach and assistant coach of the women's basketball team.

Mitchell, a native of Ardmore, Okla., served as head women's basketball coach last year at Dana College in Blair, Neb.

She assumes the dual role following the resignation of tennis coach Brenda Burgess and the promotion of assistant basketball coach Beverly Justice to the head coaching position.

Athletics Director Ray Pennington announced the hiring on Friday.

Four Gamecocks test positive for marijuana

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Four athletes and one nonathlete tested positive for drug use in tests done by the South Carolina athletic department during the last school year.

Results of the tests were obtained by The Greenville News on Monday under the state's Freedom of Information Act.

Four athletes tested positive for marijuana use and one person tested positive for steroid use. South Carolina tests managers, trainers

and cheerleaders as well as athletes. The school did not identify those who tested positive or the sports they played.

South Carolina administered 743 random tests for alcohol and drug use during the 1997-98 academic year and 82 tests for steroids.

Last year there were 643 random tests, with four positives for marijuana and one for a prescription drug. None of the 54 tests for steroids was positive.

Agency seeks larger bass

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is experimenting by stocking Florida largemouth bass in state-run lakes.

The agency hopes the northern largemouth, which inhabits most of the state's waters, will cross with the Florida fish.

"This is going to be something that takes time," said biologist Danny Scott.

Bill Reeves, chief of fisheries who came to Tennessee from Alabama, has had experience with stocking Florida bass.

"Our objective is to increase the catch of largemouth bass in the 8- to 13-pound range," he said.

Tennessee's largemouth record is 14 pounds 8 ounces, caught in 1954.

A similar stocking program in Virginia has produced bass weighing 16 pounds.

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PO Box 12727, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. They can also be reached by calling North Carolina Amateur Sports at 1-800-277-8763, e-mail ncas@interpath.com, or on the internet at www.ncsports.org. The Games are also looking for volunteers for office duties, data entry, ticket taking, merchandise sales, score keeping and coordinating one of the 23 sports. If interested, contact Linda Smith at 1-800-277-8763 or (919) 361-1133.

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season. They are in contention for the conference and are hoping to win the state championship which they are hosting.

"Hosting the championship puts it at a different intensity," Ford said.

For the first time ECU cross country is representing each class. There are freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior runners. All in all, ECU cross country expects to have a good year full of potential runners waiting to be developed.

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Fishing spot still has secluded charm, fish

RAMAH, La. (AP) — Talk fishing with any old timer around Baton Rouge, and "Ramah" is one of the first places that come from long memories spent on the hundreds of south Louisiana waterways.

Ramah? The biblical place?

No, this place is a half a world removed from its description in the Bible, but catches from the area take on biblical proportions when the old timers talk about this stretch of road with reverence.

Before his passing to the great fishing hole in the sky, tennis coach "Dub" Robinson made Ramah's levees and barrow pits his second home. When the Atchafalaya River held its spring floodwaters, Robinson led expeditions of close friends to a place where he could wade the levees. He used a bateau when he fished the pits, 20-plus-mile long expanse of water on the

east side of the Atchafalaya Floodway's East Guide Levee. The pits were dug to provide the dirt needed to construct the Atchafalaya's massive levees.

Into the 1970s, only the most adventuresome found a way to Ramah. When I-10's concrete stretched west of Baton Rouge, Ramah was opened to the masses. The area runs for at least 15 miles south of the I-10 exit and road-accessible areas stretch about six miles to the north of the shelled, dirt road that runs at the foot of the levee.

"I can remember trips in there when I was a kid, and it was great," Lionel Kleinpeter recalled. "We fly fished for bream and bass, and spinnerbaits caught bass you wouldn't believe. I guess I learned to fish at Ramah."

"It's not as good now, but I still

go there and still catch bass. Sometimes I use a small boat to get into small lakes off the bar pits and have some great days there."

Like Robinson, Kleinpeter reveled in the days of high springtime floods.

Taking his old DeSoto over the levee, Robinson waded the flooded levee banks. Bass and choupique move into the flooded cockleburrs and clover to gorge on earthworms, grubs and the shiners.

The problem for fishermen these days is that the road leading to the top of the levee is posted, which leaves only the bar pits open to bank fishermen. There are several primitive launching spots for small boats along the pits. You can also get to the pits from the east by launching at Jack Miller's Landing, which is west of Plaquemine.

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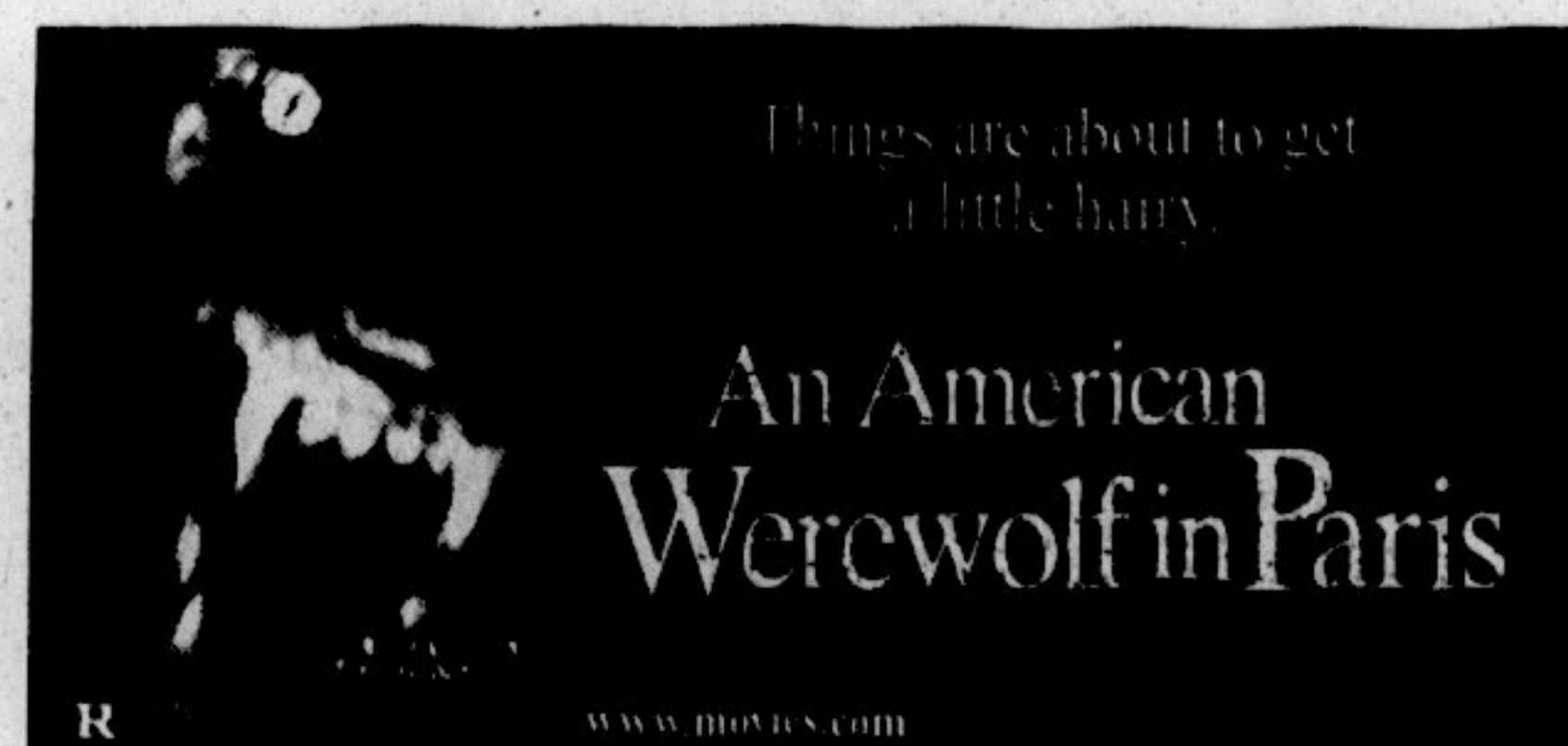
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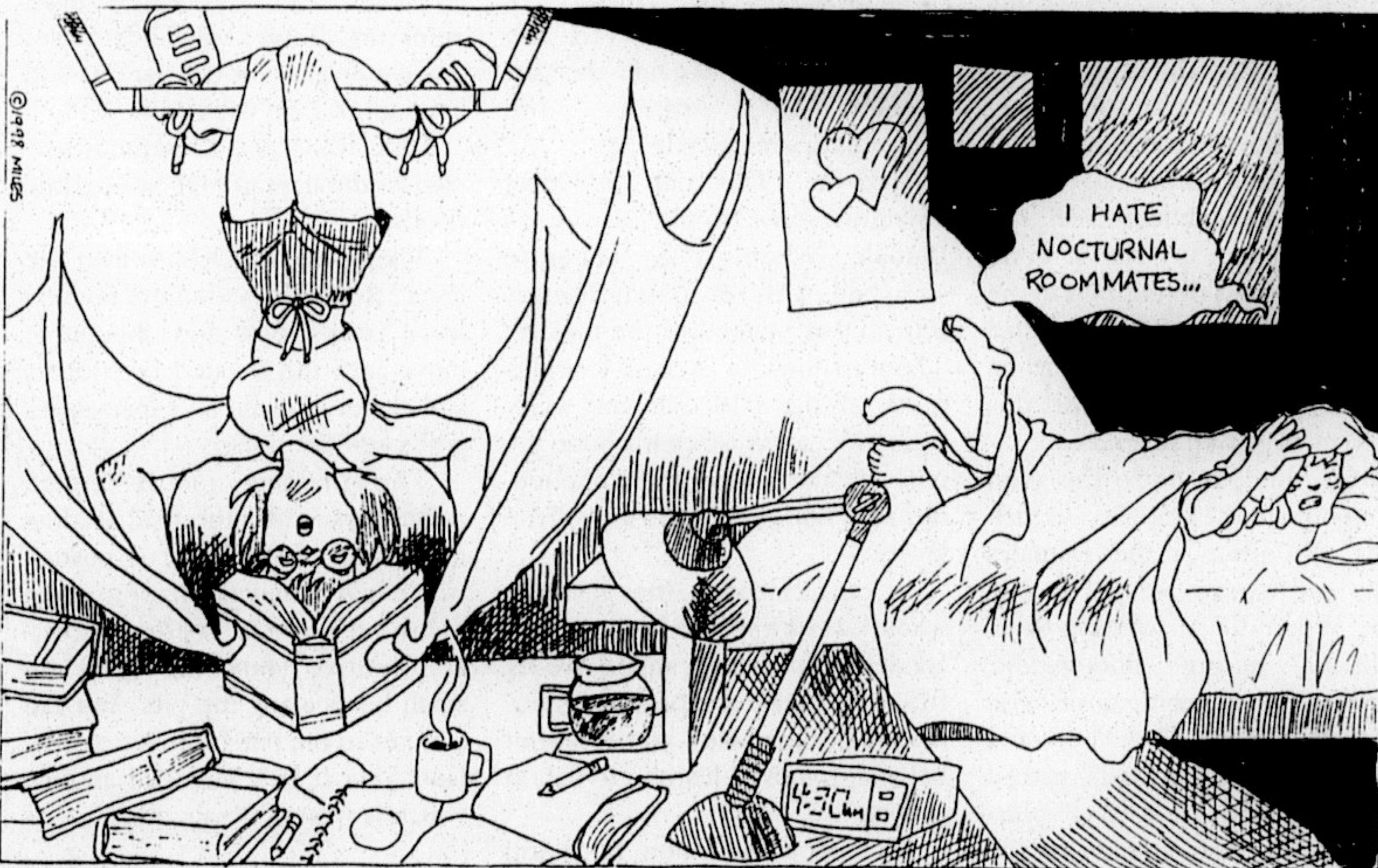
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