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ANISA GHRAIRI STAFF WRITER

ECU has dropped off the list of most wired universities. The May issue of Yahoo! Internet Life has selected The Top 100 Most Wired Campuses in the nation. Three hundred colleges and universities stand with other North Carolina

universities." were evaluated based on four categories: social use, academic use, Because gradhardware and wiring and student ing criteria and services. In 1997, ECU was 93rd, technology then shot up to 25th in 1998. This change yearly, so do the numbers. year this university didn't even make the cut. "I don't know why we aren't on the top 100 list," said Ernie Marshburn, director of Strategic Initiatives. "I think ECU is very well placed, as

Last year's ratings were based on social use, but focused primarily on the far as technology goes ... Yahoo! didacademic benefits of using the n't do a whole lot to let us know

net. ECU did well in this category because of changes in the criteria," why we didn't place or where we because it met all of the criteria, said Dr. Darryl Davis, dean at the

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Ernie Marshburn director of Strategic Initiatives

School of Industry and technology. "Some categories we are strong in, online but others we are not like game drop/add. surfing [part of the social criteria]." Recently the So, who made it into the top criteria did not five? Case Western Reserve took focus on these ECU's the top position, while MIT, Wake Forest, New Jersey Institute of standing suf-Technology and Rensselaer fered because Polytechnic followed respectively. "The uni-Experts said it is a great accomplishment to make it on the list versities are a because it shows that the institution moving target has a commitment to raising its

level of technology.

"ECU is more of a comprehensive university, not very technical like a lot of the other schools on the list who focus a lot on computers," Davis said.

Tim Murphy, computer science major, thinks there are substantial reasons for the low ranking this year. "The computer labs at ECU are out of date, a lot of untrained staff in the labs, students using the schools computers for mostly e-mail and not for academic purposes, and not enough money is put toward computer technology."

for safety after dark

No plans to move parking closer to classes

AMY WAGNER ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR. Planning, says that there are no plans to move parking closer to night-class locations.

"But measures have been taken to improve lighting and install new emergency call boxes," Flye said. According to Flye, the new Reade Street lot will have additional technological safety mea-

Students concerned Volunteers learn life's lessons

Program promotes

students' volunteerism

JESSICA REED STAFF WRITER

Somewhere in Greenville a student is picking up trash, acting as a community counselor or playing basketball with a kid. And that person is just one of the more than 7,000 students volunteers at ECU. The ECU Student Volunteer Program promotes volunteerism among college students and provides them with opportunities to volunteer at 80 health and human service agencies in the community. Students cite several reasons for volunteering such as the opportunity to evolore options, to outan learning and gain matter experience, robuild as me', and most importantly to make a difference in son ane's life. the time they a The ECU program started in their agency until the in stille get 1990 with only a gencies and a home from volunt and over one-third of Our progress volunicers. ulation is volun- plishments are du the soldent teering received only And the state of the state of the state die ker, Euler E Wolmheer is or and the School of Health a ne Director, volun-Performance, and the he become one of the Department of Health Diggest tiends in the U.S. and Promotion," Bake

Night classes begin at 6:30 p.m. Most run till 9:30 p.m., and sometimes even longer. Some students have said that they are concerned about safely getting to their car in the dark after class.

According to Shirley Bazemore, Parking and Traffic Control officer, there are [parking] lots that are not open to students until 6:30 p.m. such as the lot next to Rawl, where many night classes are held.

"These are private parking lots," istered vehicle, they can park for dangerous situations." there."

before 6:30 p.m to avoid being tardy campus after dark. to class.

lot behind Speight after 4 p.m. All Jenu, freshman. other lots open at 5 or 7 p.m. If students' cars are not university registered, or are parked there before these times, then they might midnight.

Students who have night classes said they feel that this puts their safety in jeopardy.

"Even though the parking lots are pretty well lit, I still don't like it

sures to ensure that students are as protected as possible.

"(The Reade Street lot) will have the best lighting as of yet and will be equipped with security cameras," Flye said.

Richard Brown, vice chancellor for Administration and Finance, said that safety is a top priority for ECU, and that the campus is very safe.

"No campus can be absolutely safe," Brown said. "Considering we are in an urban area that is high-Bazemore said. "If they have a reg- ly populated, there is the potential Some students agree and said But there are other places to park they do not fear for their safety on

"I know it's not the best idea, According to Bazemore, all regis- but I walk around campus alone tered cars except freshmen can park after dark often enough, and I've in the Brewster staff lot and in the never felt unsafe," said Rachel

> But not everyone is so optimistic.

"I hate walking to my car after class at 9:30," said Chrissy Buckley, receive a ticket. Bazemore said that sophomore. "They need to do ticketing goes on from 5:30 a.m. to something before someone gets hurt."

Brown said he feels that students also have a responsibility to themselves for their own safety.

"The real key to safety is personal responsibility and people actwhen I have to walk to my car alone ing responsibly," Brown said. "If after class," said LaToya you look at police records you notice most accounts of crime occur after midnight and alcohol is

Los program gives a positive image to our school and community," Baker said.

"Agencies in the community continue to tell the university their student volunteers ing the difference."

nifer Van Allen volunteers as a counselor at the Real Crisis Center. PHOTO BY MICHAEL SMITH

rely heavily on student volunteer support say that students helpers are part of the core support of the organization.

"The student's enthusiasm is incredible," said Tracy Scott, proancellor gram coordinator and Pitt County ean of rape advocate of the REAL Crisis man Center.

> "Many of our volunteers at this e are ECU and PCC students. show the maturity of profesalound are very compassionate pate inter

But accoming to some experts, the rew line eling of devoting help the commuthan time and c nly rewards of a mouse said. "I've nity are to

unteer work.

"It's becoming something useful on a job application, even if it's not tied with your major," Barnes said.

The program keeps records of the volunteer work done by students for references and resumes. Barnes said that volunteering requires someone with lots of energy and ability to communicate and coordinate effectively.

April 19-24 is National Volunteer Week. For more information on the volunteer program contact Judy Baker in 201 Christenbury Gymnasium or call 328-6432.

Washington, a senior majoring in business.

Bruce Flye, director of Facilities involved."

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"We have a service available for every student," Baker said. ofessor Rick Barnes fucents are starting to put like the RELL Crisis Center when the light together with their vol-

Computer-based GRE exams to replace traditional test method

Last pen, paper test given this month

> TARYN SIKKEMA STAFF WRITER

A computer-based general test for the Graduate Record Exam is replacing the traditional paper based general test as of fall 1999.

The last paper based test will be administered this month. After this date, students will be required to take the test via computer.

Both exams last 3.5 hours, cost At the begin-\$96, cover the same content and ning of the use the same types of questions. exam, test tak-But, the computer-based test uses ers are given fewer questions than before. Now questions of the test is automatically adapted to equal difficulty. the individual and is tailored to the Using test taker's performance and ability information, the as the test progresses. This new computer feature has many students excited. adjusts the next "I think this will show the stu-

question to the participant's ability. dents' aptitude better," said Brad The response determines the level of difficulty of the next question. Calhoun, a senior planning on Junior Beth Oels said she feels attending graduate school. "Some that computer-adaptive test are people are just/better at math than

that

others."

"I feel as though I would do

better ... I would be more con-

fident and less discouraged."

Beth Oels Junior

dent and less discouraged." One of the more controversial features of the computer administered exam is the fact that

once you choose an answer you can not go back.

Junior Anna Cowperthwaite said

she thinks that not being able to go advantageous to back and check one's work is a the individual. point of concern. feel as

"I like to be thorough with my though I would work, Cowperthaite said. "Without do better," Oels being able to check over my work, I said. "I would be more confifeel that it puts more stress on the test taking process."

> An individuals' score depends on the number of answered questions, time allotted and the performance of the individual on the given questions. The questions are weighed according to their level of difficulty.

> > Westmoreland says that there

are advantages to the computerbased exam, such as knowing the grade on the exam as soon as you complete the exam.

"You know your scores before you leave," Westmoreland said.

Student Lynsey Durishin said that when you are scored based on your individual ability it is an advantage. And, because people think differently, not everyone can answer the same types of questions.

"The test is more personal. This is a good way for your individuality to come out," Durishin said

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ing riot gear for his force following the near-riot.

Man suspected of robbing the same bank twice is caught

Bill would pay historically black schools for racism

RALEIGH (AP)-The state would pay historically black North Carolina universities millions of dollars to compensate for past racism and funding inequities under a bill proposed by a Durham legislator. Rep. Mickey Michaux's measure would give the five historically black schools and the

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Markowski invented new master's program

PETER LENK

Edward "Mel" Markowski, a pro-

fessor in the child development and

family relations department, has

the Board of Governors Award for

excellence in Teaching, the top

teaching award presented by the

board to one faculty member on

Markowski, who is also the chair

each UNC campus.

NEWS WRITER

ANCHORAGE (AP)-A suspected bank robber was arrested Monday after he allegedly held up been chosen as the 1999 winner of the same bank he robbed last week, FBI officials said.

John Francis Bolton, 28, of British Columbia was taken into custody by Anchorage Police.

Bolton allegedly held up a branch of Denali Alaska Federal

supervision. A master's degree in this program can lead to a license from North Carolina as a family therapist. This program accepts only 12 students a year from all over the

nation. This year, there were 40 applications.

Faculty Members said these educational achievements, along with his popularity with students and faculty, led Markowski to win the Top Board of Governors Teaching Award.

"Because of his commitment to teaching, learning and students, he has been here many years and is well respected," said Dr. David

Clarification:

In the 4/13 issue of TEC, we stated that the action to dismiss Marc Schatz as manager of WZMB was conducted in closed session. client contact and 100 hours of

By N.C. Open Records Law the details and discussion concerning any personal action are sealed. Only the final decision is required to be announced.



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University of North Carolina at Pembroke, which has a large American Indian enrollment, an extra \$21 million a year to supplement their budgets.

Lawmakers consider \$1 million to preserve family farms

RALEIGH (AP)-As new development pushes out from North Carolina cities and paves over farmland, state lawmakers this year are considering pumping taxpayer money into an effort to temper urban sprawl.

The General Assembly will consider a bill that would put \$1 million into the state

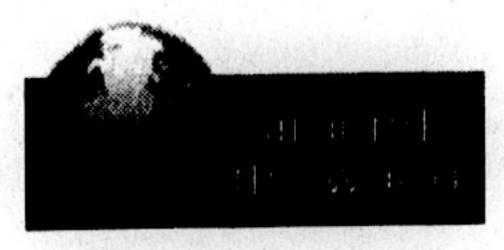
Farmland Preservation Trust Fund. The money would be enough to protect about 4,000 acres of agricultural land.

If the bill passed, it would be the first major investment in the fund created 13 years ago.



Credit Union inside the Carrs store on Huffman Road at about 1:30 p.m. A witness who saw Bolton drive away gave police a description of the vehicle and he was arrested a short time later.

Bolton is suspected of robbing the same branch last Tuesday. He is being held at the Cook Inlet Pre-Trial Eacility.



Political crisis looms over India

NEW DELHI, India (AP)-Political brokers of various hues met behind closed doors Tuesday after a member of the ruling coalition categorically said it will pull out of the government and form another power structure with opposition groups.

Focus shifted to the main opposition Congress Party, led by Sonia Gandhi, the widow of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. The Congress, the second largest political group in Parliament, is under pressure to lead the new coalition.

Killer bacterium on

the rise in Singapore

of the North Carolina Marriage and Family Therapy Licensure Board was awarded this annual following a nomination by the chair person of his department, Cynthia Johnson. Applicants must also submit a portfolio which includes his or her Philosophy of Teaching statement, examples of course syllabi, letters written by colleagues and students, students' semester evaluations and a video tape of one of the candi-

date's classes. Dr. Markowski, and alumni of Florida State University, has been

with the university for 26 years. He has served as assistant dean, dean, chairperson of his department and professor.

Markowski initiated one of ECU's most prestigious master's opportunities, the marriage and about them and discussing themfamily therapy program. This pro- having the students teaching me," gram requires 500 hours of actual he said. "The more questions they

Dosser. "He is creative, innovative and makes learning fun."

Markowski said he is proud of his award which reflects his love for his profession.

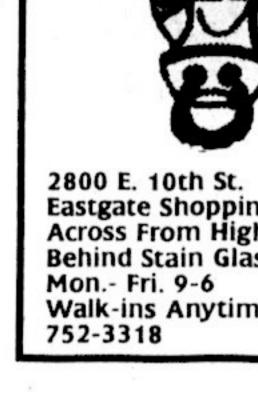
"It means that perhaps I have been learning and getting better instead of just rising, plateauing and decline ever since," Markowski said. "It's really an award I share with all the faculty and students. I know many teachers here who are excellent teachers and it's really a privilege accepting this award."

But, according to Markowski, the most rewarding thing about his job is the students.

" I enjoy seeing the enthusiasm

of students and their questions which make me learn by thinking





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Arrest made in near-riot at Clemson

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Clemson police are still tallying up the damage following a massive outdoor party at Clemson University that got out of hand.

Investigators plan to look at a videotape of the incident before making arrests.

Sunday night's crowd, estimated at up from 2 percent in 1991 to 43 per-5,000, caused several thousand dollars worth of damage to police cars, including a cracked windshield and numerous dents.

SINGAPORE (AP) — A common bacterium that causes respiratory tract infections has evolved into a killer bug that antibiotics cannot fight in Singapore, doctors and news reports said Tuesday.

The number of cases of streptococcus pneumoniae bacterium that Police Chief Johnson Link said proved resistant to antibiotics shot cent in 1997, said Dr. Ling Moi Lin, microbiologist at Singapore General Hospital.

Link says he is considering buy-

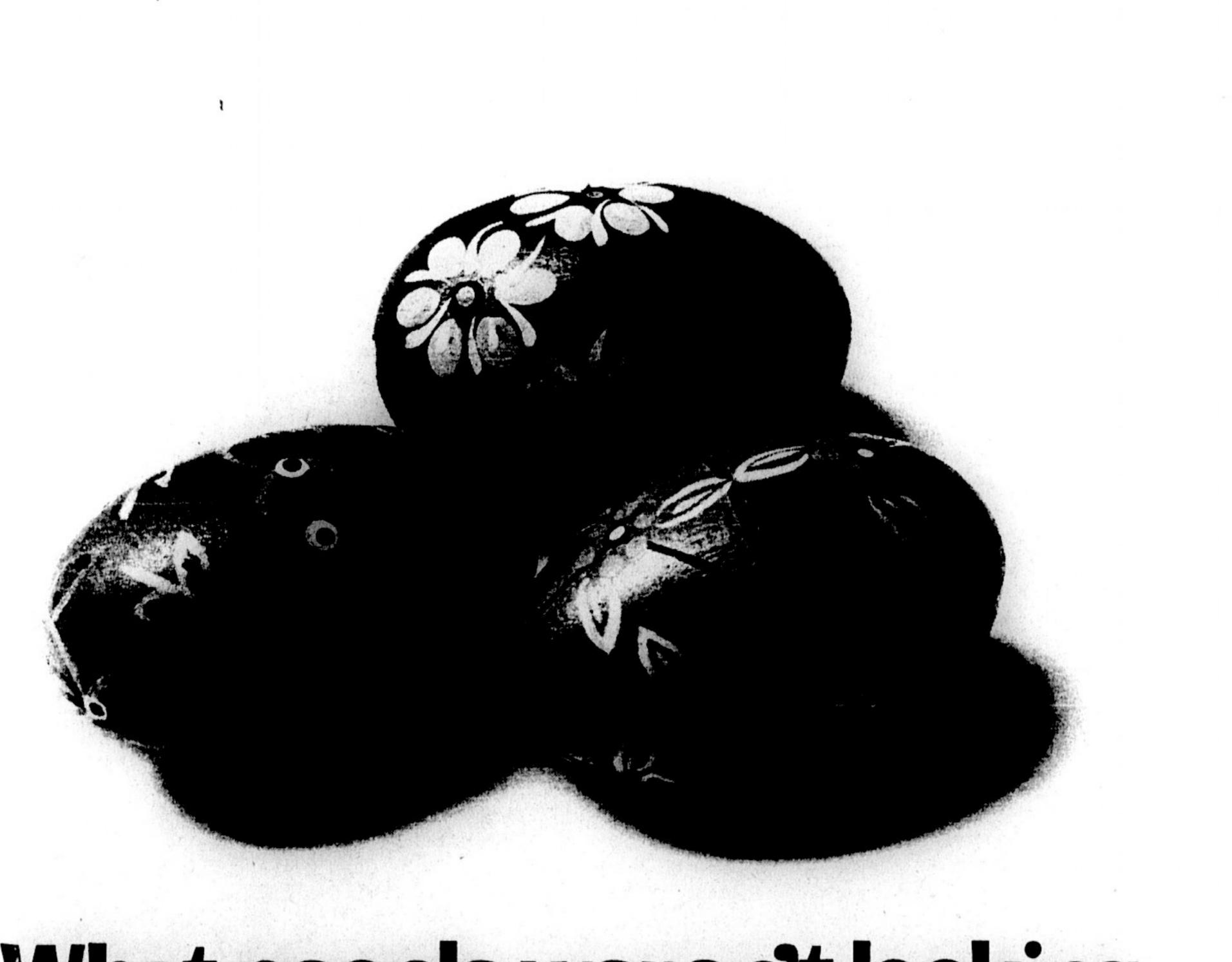


Friday

Pig-Out—The Great Pirate Purple/Gold Pigskin Pig-out Party will begin at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. There will be carnival rides, games and food vendors. Later, the competition for the pigcooking contest will begin. Baseball-ECU and Richmond duel in CAA conference game at 7 p.m. at Harrington Field.

Baseball—ECU and the University of Richmond play at 7 p.m. at Harrington Field.

Concert—They call themselves "Doc and Dawg," but are formally known as Doc Watson and David



Saturday

Purple/Gold-The Great Pirate Purple/Gold Pigskin Pig-out Party continues at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium with carnival rides, games and food. In the morning, judges will rate the pigs cooked overnight by Pig-out contestants. A light scrimmage by the ECU Pirate football team is slated for the afternoon. A home and garden show is scheduled for the weekend at Minges Coliseum.

Softball-The ECU women's softball team plays at Radford in a doubleheader at 1 p.m.

Grisman and are considered legends on the guitar and mandolin. The concert is at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium. For information about tickets, call or visit the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center. The phone number 328-4788.

Sunday

Baseball- There will be a third day of baseball between ECU and Richmond. The game starts at 2 p.m. at Harrington Field.

Recital-ECU's Early Music Ensemble will perform at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Guest Recital-A recital by guest pianist Sharyn Edwards will be held at 5 p.m. in Fletcher Recital Hall.

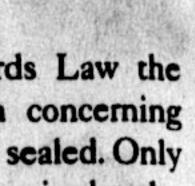
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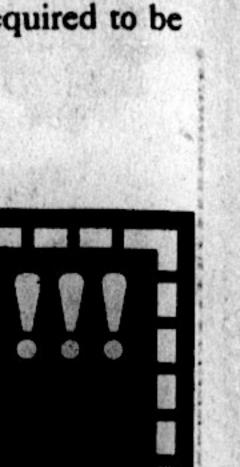
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Vatican opposes pill for Kosovo rape victims

VATICAN CITY (AP) - Use of the "morning after" pill by rape victims is tantamount to abortion, a senior Vatican official said Tuesday, expressing church opposition to their distribution to Kosovo refugees by U.N. aid workers.

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He called the pill a "real abortion technique" that should not be confused with a contraceptive.

The position stated bv Monsignor Elio Sgreccia, vice president of the Pontifical Academy for Life, reflected the Vatican's firm opposition to abortion and its concern during the Bosnian civil war that rape victims would end their pregnancies.

Reports of rape suffered by ethnic Albanian women, who are overwhelmingly Muslim, have been increasing in recent days.

British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said Tuesday that reports indicate that young ethnic Albanian women are being separated from refugee columns and systematically raped at a Serb army camp near the Albanian border.

Firsthand accounts from individuals are also beginning to emerge.

"I think many of the women are afraid to come forward," an Italian doctor, Carlo Romanini, who recently returned from Albania,

The federation's president, Gloria Feldt, said it was particularly unthinkable to deny reproductive health care to women in need "when you take into consideration the horrible psychological and physical damage of sexual assault."

The Vatican official said it was important to distinguish between "the act of violence suffered and the reality of new human beings who have begun their life."

He rejected any comparison with the distribution of contraceptive pills to nuns in the Congo in the 1960s, which he called "legitimate defense" against the possibility of rape. Vatican critics often cite the case of the Congo in the 1960s as an example of the church willing to bend its rules against contraception.



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Sgreccia, writing in the Italian Roman Catholic daily newspaper Avvenire, was reacting to last week's announcement by the U.N. Population Fund that it was providing emergency reproductive health

kits for about 350,000 people. The agency's spokesman criticized the Vatican position Tuesday, saying the kits had nothing to do with abortions.

"They're intended to save women's lives," said Alex Marshall. "To drag this abortion debate into this is inhuman."

government briefing told Tuesday.

The U.N. Population Fund said in New York that the kits include equipment to deliver babies without medical facilities, pictorial instructions, morning after pills for rape victims and a variety of contraceptives.

Parenthood The Planned Federation of America, which contributed \$ 50,000 to the kits, said it was "unconscionable" that the Vatican would express opposition to their distribution.

Sgreccia's position was attacked by a leading woman member of Italy's Greens party, who said the Vatican's word could add to the suffering of the Kosovo women.

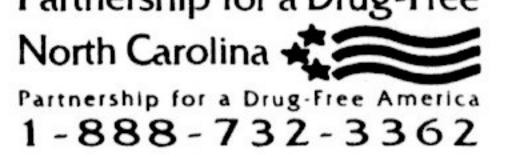
"From the Vatican, which is so involved in the search for peace, we expect comfort for the suffering of women," said Annamaria Procacci.

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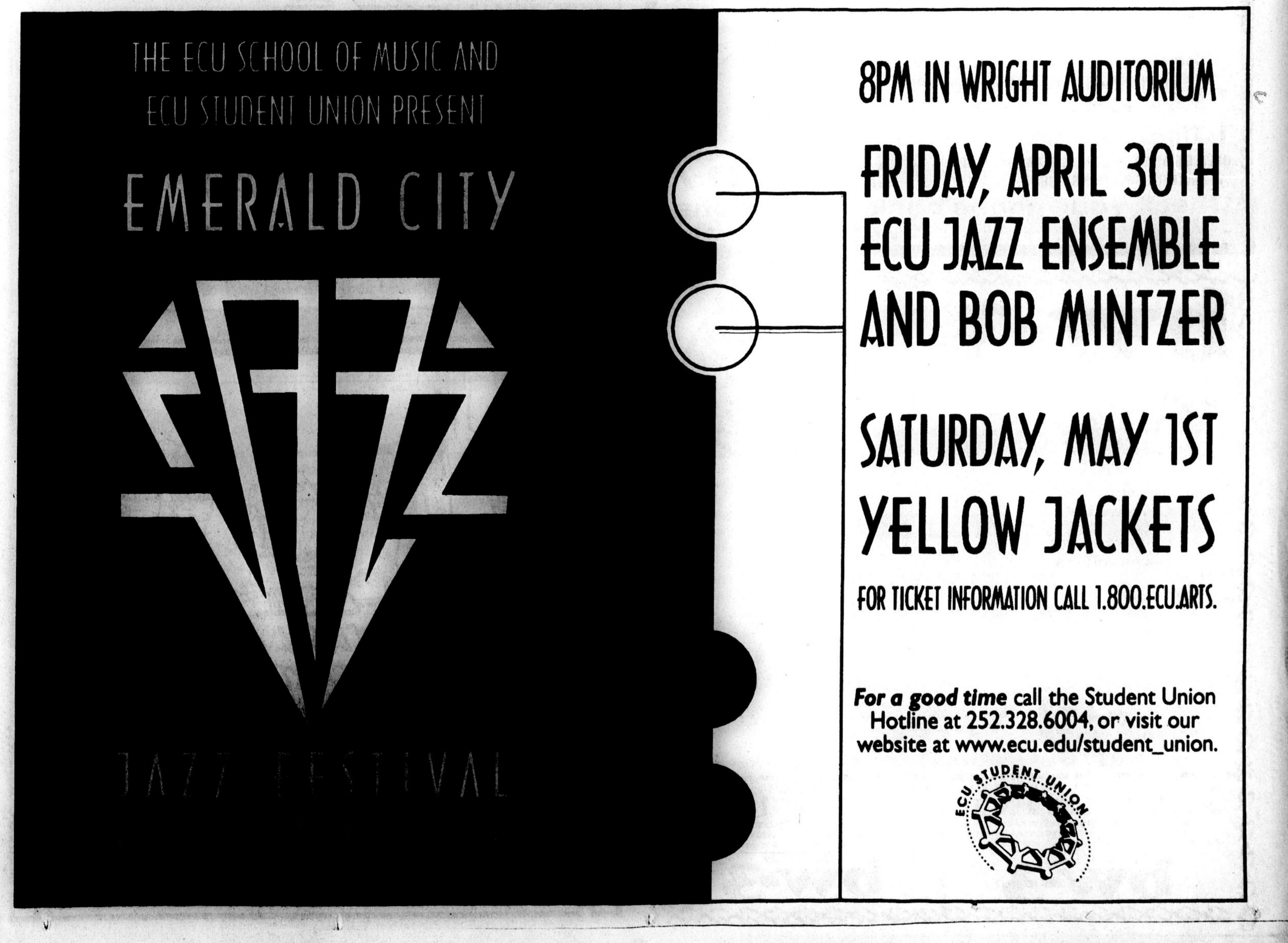
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Financial Card Theft and Financial Card Fraud - A resident of Scott Hall reported the larceny of his NationsBank Visa. An officer reviewed a tape at the State Employee's Credit Union. The tape revealed another Scott Hall resident withdrawing money from the victim's account. He was arrested and charged with financial card theft and financial card fraud.

Possession of Marijuana and Paraphernalia-Officers Drug responded to a complaint of an odor of marijuana burning in Fletcher Hall. A Fletcher Hall resident was issued a state citation after turning over approximately one gram of marijuana and various items of drug paraphernalia. Another student was issued a campus appearance ticket for being in the room and admitting to smoking marijuana.

possession of a weapon on universiry property. He was identified by an eyewitness. While searching his room, a 9mm magazine with one round and a 9mm cleaning kit were seized. A computerized scale and automatic rifle magazine were located in the student's vehicle. The weapon was not located. The weapon was discharged in the parking lot northeast of Aycock Hall.

Obtaining Property by False Pretense -A staff member reported that a student had returned books twice in the past few weeks to the Student Stores. The student used a possibly fraudulent medical withdrawal form. It was discovered that the student had not withdrawn from school.

clinic in reference a subject threatening suicide. The subject was extremely combative and resisted officers' assistance. The subject was restrained and transported to the hospital.

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Drug Possession Paraphernalia/Possession of Weapon on Campus/Simple Possession of Marijuana/Possession of Pyrotechnics/Alcohol Violation A staff member reported the odor of marijuana coming from a suite in Scott Hall. The resident handed over two small bags and one sandwich bag containing marijuana. A consent search of the room revealed two BB guns, a flask, a safe, mason jars with an unidentified substance, a sandwich bag with

a white powder substance, and 26

fire crackers. The suspect was

arrested and charged with the

Possible Missing Person-A

The roommate was last seen at the

Wright Place at 1:45 pm on 4/13/99.

The complainant contacted the

police department at approximate-

ly 6:10 am and advised that her

roommate had returned to their



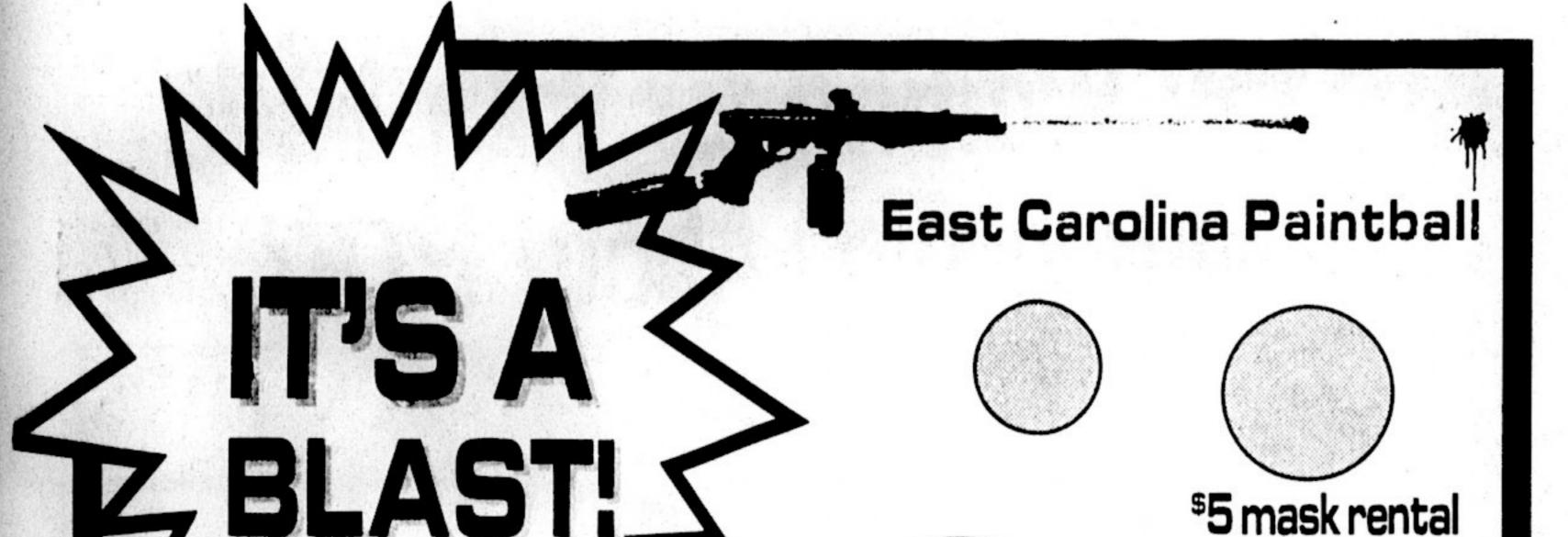
Harassing Phone Calls -A resident of Greene Hall reported receiving repeated phone calls from an ex-boyfriend.

Possession of a Weapon on Campus and Firing a Firearm in City Limits -An Aycock Hall resident was arrested for discharging a firearm within the city limits and April 13

above crimes. Larceny-A non-student reported that an Ethernet card was taken from a laptop computer while it was part of a booth at Mendenhall student living off campus reported that her roommate was missing. Student Center.

Simple Assault—A Scott Hall resident was arrested at the Police Department based on a warrant for simple assault.

Threat-Officers residence. Suicide responded to the Family Therapy



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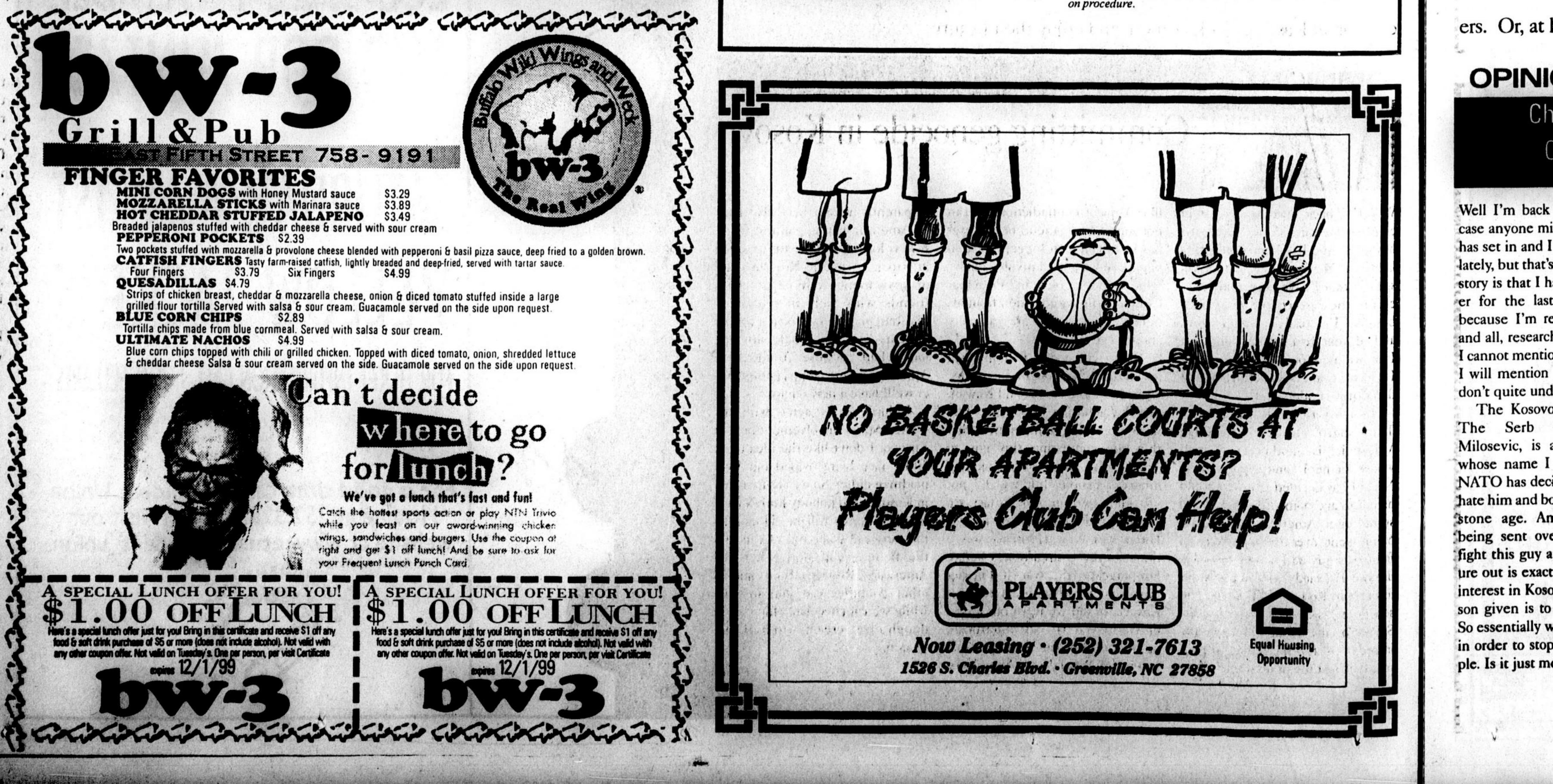
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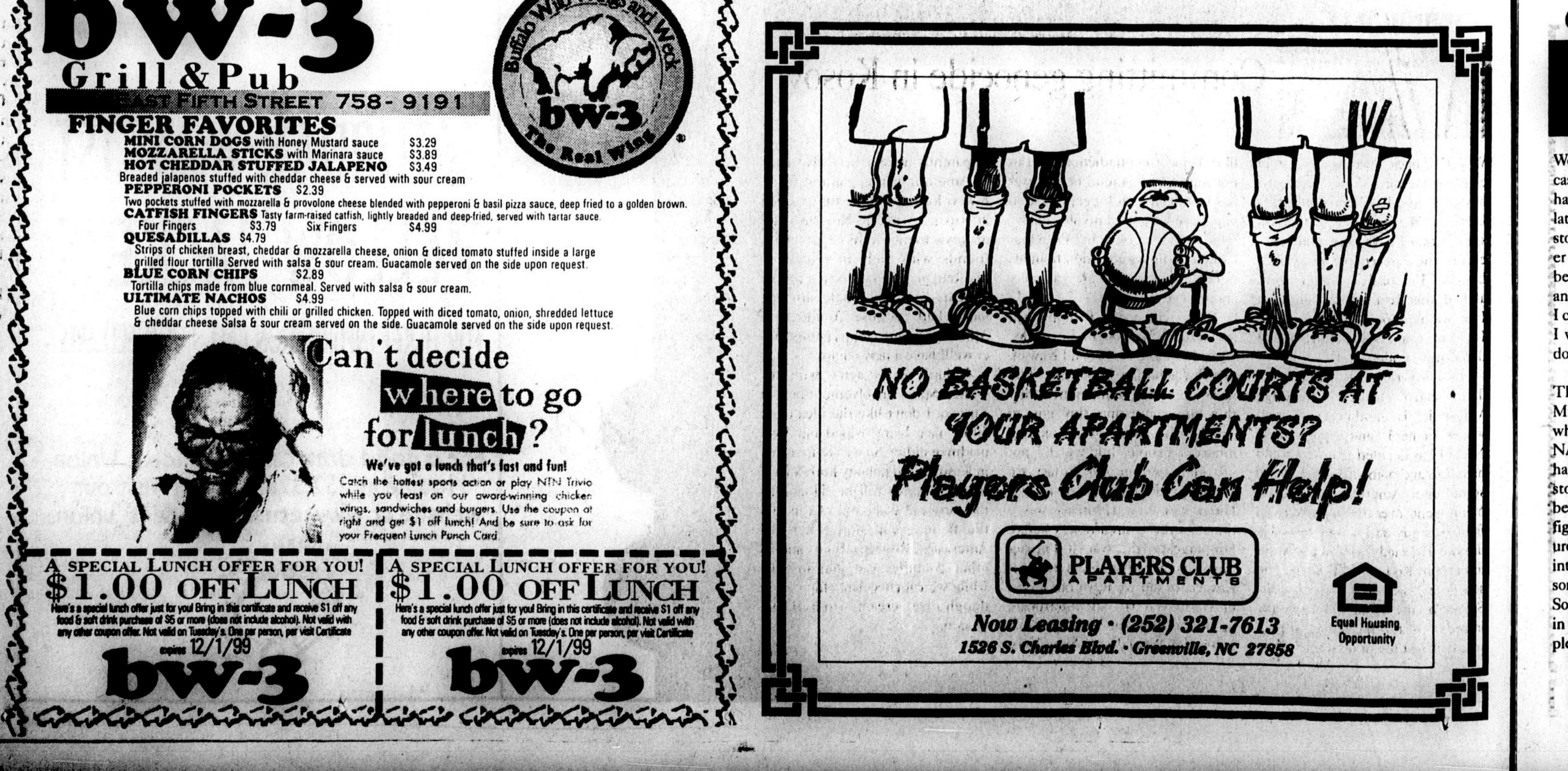
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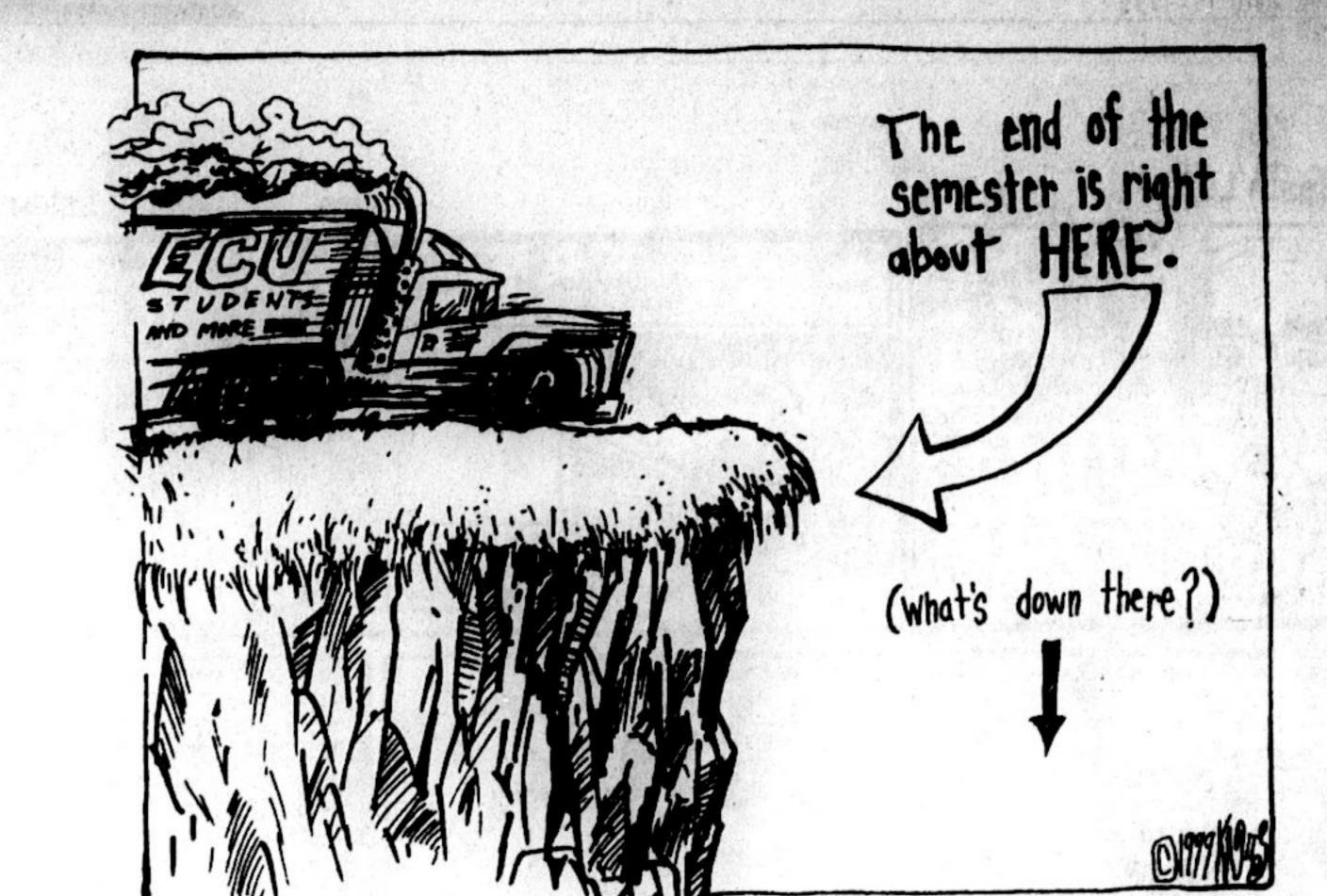
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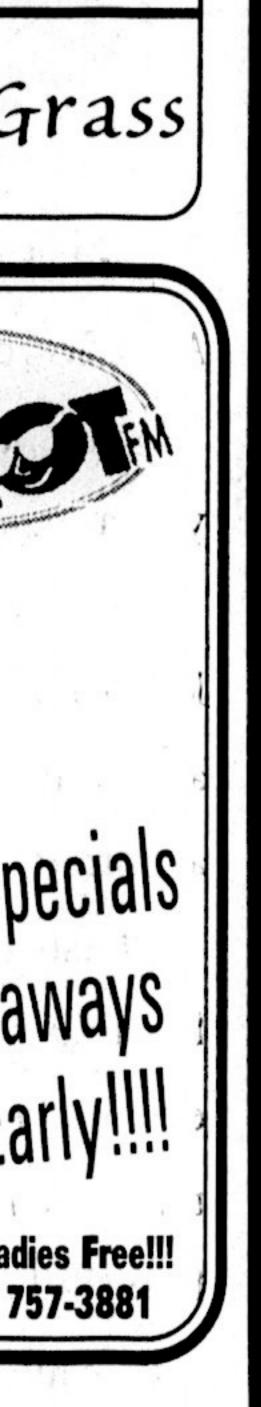
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April showers bring May flowers. Well, it's not May yet, so April showers bring April flowers.

With spring comes many delightful things: warm weather, the end of the school year and, of course, flowers.

Have you looked around campus and seen all of the flowers? Everywhere you look there are pink-laced trees and sunshine-yellow daffodils lining the sidewalks and buildings. It reminds us of how pretty this campus really is, despite all the abhorred construction.

These flowers were planted a long time ago, but it takes care to keep them blooming year after year. It is good to see that the university has not forgotten this essential part of our campus. Hey, they don't just care about flashy, high-tech structures such as Sonic Plaza. The flowers are a cheap way to add grace to an already beautiful campus.

It is nice to be able to walk around campus and admire the simple elegance of natural beauty. There are not just squirrels, stray cats and classroom buildings; there are gifts from Mother Nature to enjoy as well.

to the Editor

Shocked over Schatz dismissal

As a former WZMB employee, I am disappointed but not shocked to learn of the details surrounding the firing of Marc Schatz as General Manager of WZMB. I spent three years at WZMB, much of this time working with Mr. Schatz and all of it dealing with the questionable ive. competence and intentions of Paul Wright and the Media Board. Mr. Schatz is an excellent disc jockey and a conscientious worker. He has been deeply committed to exposing the WZMB listening audience to innovative, interesting music and has put tireless effort into discovering such music. He has also fought hard to overcome

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Spartanburg Herald Journal

the persistent difficulties the station has had to face in recent years, namely employee absenteeism (especially problematic when involving disc jockeys) and the strangehold of a media board which has not been the least bit support-

While I do not have any firsthand exposure to the details of this particular situation, I must say Mr. Schatz's account of the inappropriate methodology involved in his termination is consisted with the behavior of Paul Wright and, to a lesser extent, the media board during my tenure at the station. This certainly would not be the first

time that these parties did not follow, or, for that matter, know the proper procedure to be followed in such situations. Hopefully, the media board will realize these errors and reinstate Mr. Schatz.

Thursday April 8, 1999

Sincerely,

SC needs privacy laws

Jeff Anderson Geography

Editor's note: Please refer to clarification on page 2 concerning the 4/13 issue of TEC regarding the dismissal of Marc Schatz.

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These gifts, in turn, make the campus a more enjoyable place. If there were no flowers, grass or trees, just brick buildings and dirt paths, would people want to be there at anytime they didn't have to be? Probably not. Whether they know it or not, natural beauty such as flowers make people want to spend time at a place-want to

read a book by the fountain, or walk their dog around the mall. Many people are content to just to sit on the grass and take in some sun and gaze at the beautiful landscape.

Think of how it must look to visiting high-school seniors who are trying to decide which school to attend. Campus appearance alone helps to influence the minds of many young students. The lush scenery and colorful flowers only add to the aesthetic charm of our school.

So the next time you find yourself rushing to class, slow down and smell the flowers. Or, at least just look at them and enjoy their beauty.

OPINION

Christopher Committing genocide in Kosovo Coppedge

When a state agency is in questionable financial health, it makes sense to give it a checkup.

> depend on it. study indicated the PCF may be That's why it was a smart move ... when the five-member board of the Legislative Audit Council _ which audits and investigates state agencies _ voted to send auditors to examine the South Carolina Patients Compensation Fund. The PCF, an obscure state agency, handles tens of millions of dollars a year in providing malpractice insurance for most of the state's private doctors, nurses and hospitals.

Especially when state taxpayers

year to learn that the state had sold South Carolina is not the only their driver's license photos to state that assumes it owns all the Image Data, a New Hampshire information it can amass about its company developing a system to combat check and credit card fraud. North Carolinians recently

Image Data's system seems like learned that their state has compiled a database on 2.5 million of its worthwhile development that represents a maximum benefit for a residents who attended college or minimum of intrusion. But the arrotook vocational training courses gance of state leaders in believing within the past nine years. The database tracks their employment that the images of all citizens were theirs to trade in led to widespread The stated purpose of the dataoutrage.

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Congress and state legislatures should reassert our ownership of our information. When someone compiles information about us _ our names, addresses, Social Security numbers, employment and credit histories, etc. _ (he or she) should not

be able to engage in the commercial trade of that information without our permission. ...

State and federal lawmakers should study the impact of encoding these principles into law.

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The trouble with the PCF is that

no one really knows what's going on

there, as a recent superficial study

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financially unstable. This is a seri-

Check on patient compensation

From that money, the PCF pays out settlements when patients are hurt or killed by medical negligence. For years, before the era of high jury verdicts, the PCF had plenty of money. Its rates were the lowest in the country. But in recent years, it has paid out more than it was scheduled to take in. The PCF can assess higher rates, but it isn't certain that doctors will pay those rates over the long haul. PCF officials say their agency is fine. But it has never had a serious audit.

Well I'm back once again, just in case anyone missed me. Spring-itis has set in and I've been pretty lazy lately, but that's to be expected. My story is that I have been undercover for the last couple of weeks, because I'm really a secret agent and all, researching something that I cannot mention at this time. What I will mention is something that I don't quite understand.

The Kosovo crisis-what is it? The Serb leader, Slobodan Milosevic, is another crazy man whose name I cannot pronounce. NATO has decided that we should hate him and bomb him back to the stone age. American troops are being sent over to Yugoslavia to fight this guy and what I can't figure out is exactly why. What is our interest in Kosovo? I know the reason given is to stop the genocide. So essentially we are killing people in order to stop the killing of people. Is it just me or does this sound

like a major contradiction? If I'm not mistaken this feud or civil war has been going on for centuries, so why have we gotten involved now? This is not a ploy by President Clinton to divert attention from his personal life-we are actually that Iraq guy who we beat a couple about to go to war.

We fought against Communism in Vietnam, we fought for justice and oil in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, now it's genocide in Kosovo. The most interesting thing to me is that they are comparing this guy to Adolf Hitler. Hitler was also killing innocent people, but we did not just jump into the war. In fact, we in Kosovo, and nobody knows what actually waited until we thought the next move will be. Hopefully Hitler and Nazi Germany was a the best will come out of this and threat to the United States before the fighting will stop. Then the jumping into the war, if I'm not Americans, Russians, Iraqis and all mistaken. So what threat to us is other countries can join in song Kosovo, or did we learn our lesson while we eat chocolate chip cookie in World War II? An unfortunate dough ice cream from Dairy product of this war is the possible Queen. joining of Russia with Yugoslavia.

Apparently Russia may also have an American-hating political figure who is looking for the top position in Russia. Also, the Russian madman is a former KGB agent who is friends with Saddam Hussein, of years ago. This whole situation looks bad because if all those American hating groups get together we'll have a new enemy.

I don't totally agree with the United States' involvement over in Kosovo. I don't like the idea of an entire race being wiped out by a madman either. So we are involved

ous matter. If the PCF goes bellyup, state taxpayers may be stuck with millions of dollars worth of legal claims against doctors.

The PCF is a kind of insurance fund, without the same rules that govern real insurance companies. Health professionals who are PCF "members" pay what amounts to malpractice insurance every year.

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The Legislative Audit Counsel should plunge in quickly. ... It's about time for a checkup.



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Ah, summertime. The tim year when students dream of day when classes end. Now the can relax and devote full attention to their first love-partying on a daily basis, not just the weekend. Sadly, this summertime scenario is reality to only a few lucky students. The rest of us must spend the long, hot summer working and making money for the upcoming school year. There are, however, some ways to make your summer job more appealing, and perhaps

even enjoyable and useful. about what to do after school ends. "Right now I really don't have my summer plane," said Jody willing to move out of state. Gore, senior. "Hopefully I'll find somerning soon." come up with a game plan. might be an option for you.



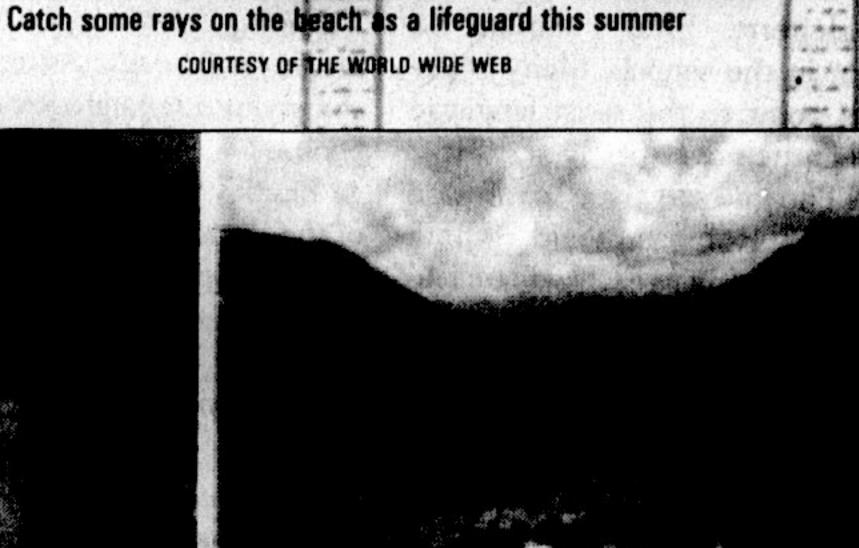
Counselors make life long memories working with children and each other COURTESY THE WORLD WIDE WEB

Many students are still unsure be staying in North Carolina, there also the most valuable to their has informaare literally thousands of other possibilities to choose from if you are Once you decide on a location or area of the country you would like Italy this summer on a golf intern-Luckity for Jody and the rest of to work in, consider what kind of ship. Through dedication to findthe student body, now is the per- experience you are looking for. If ing the best match for your skills fect time to start exploring the you want to build up a resume and and degree, you can combine your many options for summer work. make money at the same time, the knowledge with a unique and In addition, it The first thing you should do is Cooperative Education program exciting summer job. And the best also has on-Planning ahead will ensure you "Co-op experiences help you to same time. finding a summer job that you like. build a resume and develop profesplacement, several requirements ings Brainstorm about where you might sionalism," said Mary Cauley,

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Westmoreland said. "The most If you are created to find a job on valuable summer experiences are your own there are several places to start looking. Some students Often, this becomes a meaningful may already have a specific com- experience that enables a student pany in mind that they would like to mature while helping younger: to work for. In this case, students kids do the same-all the while should not hesitate to contact someone who might hire them, or at least give them advice about on the Internet, many companies: getting a job. The more you net-

work, the better the possibilities for finding the work you want. Location again is an important jobs. factor. If you already have a parmy in mind, scan the classified ads great summer job is to be imprisi ties are available. Contact compa- your dream job, and go our and fin nice in the town, or their local it. If you don't someone else an employment agency. Any type of connection that you make will

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By far, the most important thing ticular town or region of the coun- to remember when trying to find a and see what types of opportuni- tive. Do your homework, focus on

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Authors David Bradley, Shelley Fishkin come to campus

Event coordinated by Writers Reading Series

PHILLIP GILFUS SENIOR WRITER

Was Huckleberry Finn black? Was Mark Twain? These are just some of the many questions and topics that will be discussed at the Annual English Tag Lecture.

marily about the travels she took across the South, and the different places where Twain lived.

"I'll be talking about this enigma of a man, who was the son of slaveholders and became the author of the greatest anti-racist novel," Fishkin said.

Fishkin will speak about Twain's hometown of Hannibal, Mo., where they hold a festival every year honoring him.

"I'll note in my talk that they're

The Writers Reading Series invites writers to Eastern North Carolina each year to allow the community, students and readers a chance to meet and hear from the them in person. The program gives the authors an opportunity to give a public reading, sign books and attend a public reception in their honor.

"[The Writers' Series] gives students a chance to pick the writer's brain," Fay said.

The series is co-sponsored by



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Novelist David Bradley and professor and author Dr. Shelley Fisher Fishkin will be visiting ECU to give lectures and discuss their novels that include Bradley's "The Chaneysville Incident" and Fishkin's "Lighting Out for the Territory: Reflections on Mark Twain and American Culture" and "Was Huck Black?: Mark Twain and African-American Voices."

"They will be working together on a workshop which will discuss "Huck Finn" and Mark Twain's irony in writing it," said Dr. Lillian Robinson, the workshop's coordinator.

Currently there is a controversy in schools all over the nation about whether "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" should be caught in the schools. Many opponents point to the racist language used in the novel.

"[The novel] is a satire on racism," Robinson said. "Both authors coming to ECU will be taking the stance in the workshop that the book is worth teaching."

Dr. Fishkin's lecture will be pri-

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David Bradley FILE PHOTO

more than is put in," Fishkin said. Joining Fishkin in the workshop, Bradley will be discussing his views and giving a separate lecture on his book

Bradley will be speaking as part of the Writers Reading Series.

"This will be the last program of the year and it proves to be the best," said Julie Fay, director of the writers' series.

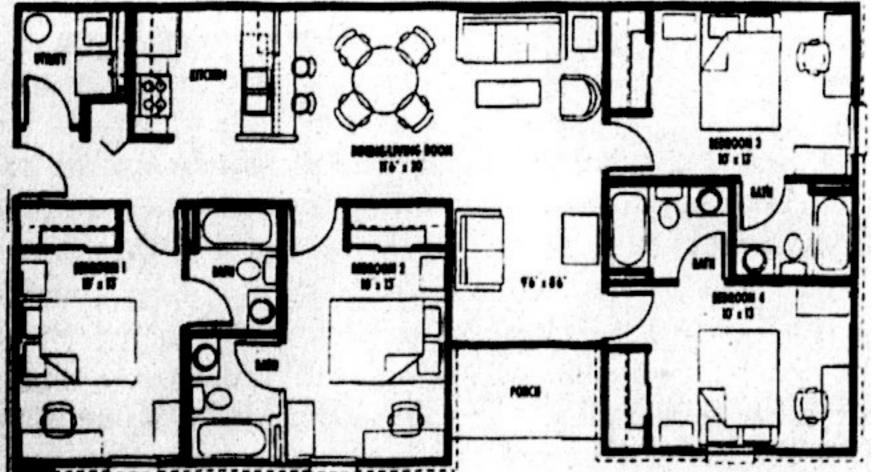
Women's Studies, Ethnic Studies and other various departments.

The novel that Bradley will be speaking about, "The Chaneysville Incident," was awarded the 1982 PEN/Faulkner Prize and an Academy Award from the American Academy and the Institute of Arts and Letters.

"In writing that book I had to learn a whole lot of things," Bradley said. "A lot of the stuff that I kept coming up with was just plain funny. Part of the way the book works is that he [the main character, an African-American historian] is both serious and negative ... history will do that to you."

Students who wish to attend the joint workshop are encouraged to speak to Dr. Robinson or call her at 328-6681. The workshop will be held April 21 at noon in the General Classroom Building, Room 2011. Bradley's "Meet the Writer" program will he held at 3 p.m. Fishkin's lecture will take place in GCB 1031 at 4 p.m.





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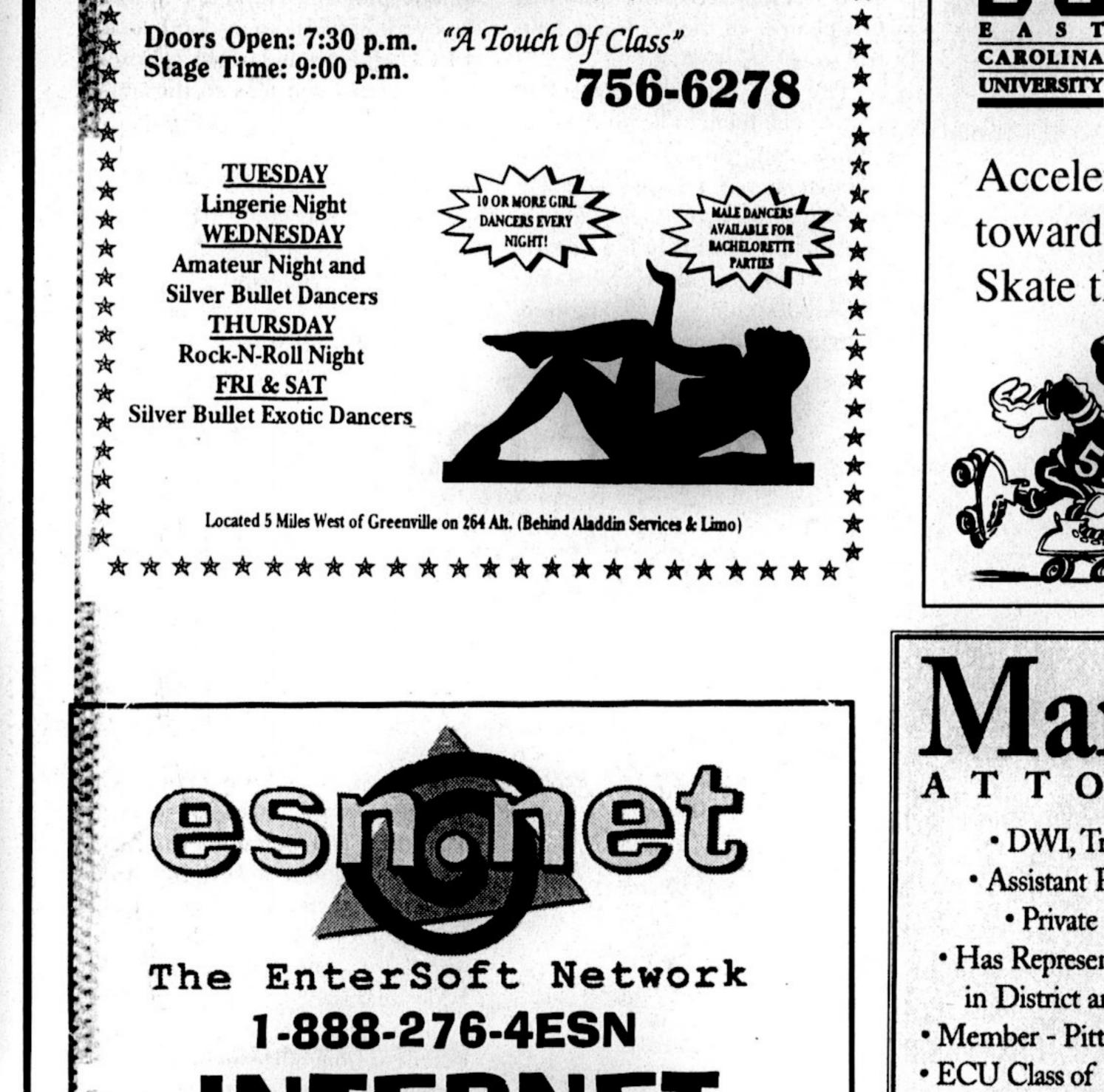
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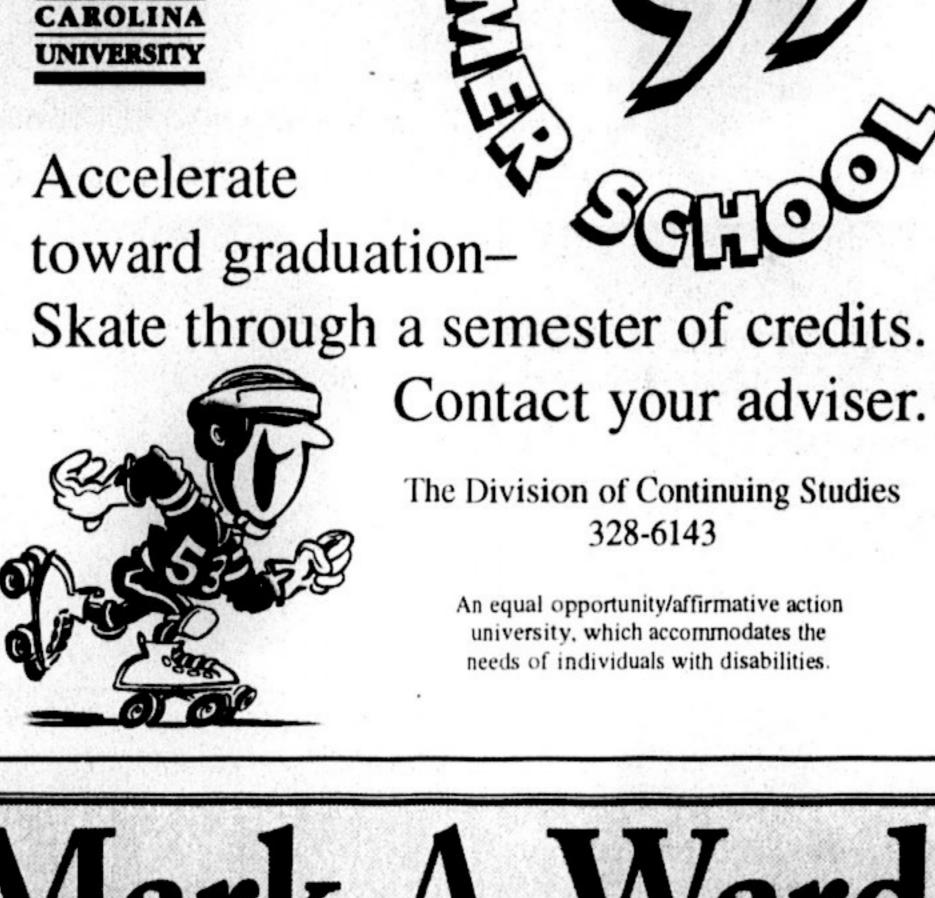
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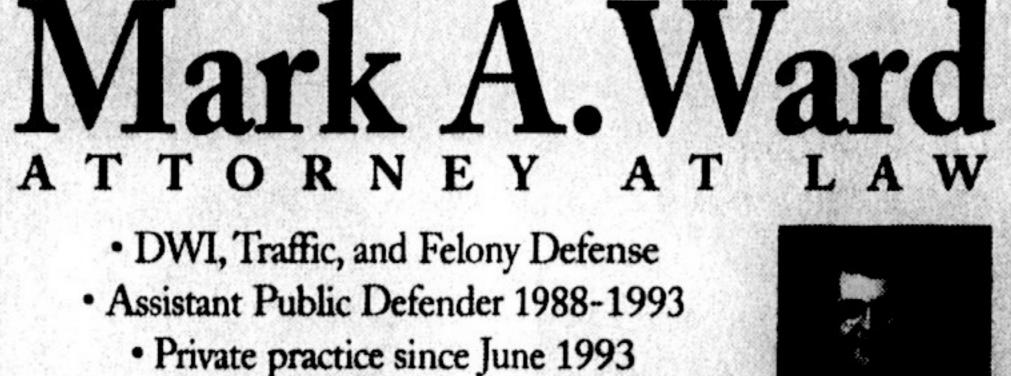
"The college years are when most people develop mentally, trying to work on intimate relationships," Badger said.

Along with her concentration on relationships and women's issues, Badger also coordinates the academic study skills workshops. These workshops are given throughout the semester to serve students in a wide range of issues such as time management, note taking, test preparation, test taking and academic motivation.

According to Dr. Bob Morphet, who can help through these hard students can receive guidance in any of the previous concerns in' times. The Center for Counseling and both individual and group sessions. Student Development houses five "I enjoy group sessions," counselors who are there to listen Badger said. "I consider them very to students in both individual and good for those who feel isolated on group sessions. a particular issue. It's good to know "The primary role of the there's others that are going Counseling Center is to provide through the same thing." psychological and emotional sup-"The primary intent for workport for students to help them get shops is to teach a skill to stuthrough school," said Dr. Al Smith, dents," Smith said. assistant director of the Counseling The Counseling Center goes Center. one step beyond to help students No matter how big or small you by conducting outreach programs. may consider your problem to be, "We are proactive in our the counselors will be there to offer approach to students," Smith said. an objective, supportive ear. "We visit fraternities, sororities, "I help people look at their Health 1000 classes and Family options. A lot of times, [if a stu-Therapy Counselor Education prodent] talks to an objective person, grams ... to do educational outreach they can come up with [resoluprograms," Morphet said. tions] they might not have thought According to Badger, the issues of," said Dr. Nancy Badger, psycovered during these outreach prochologist. "I try to ask questions in grams include academics, relationsuch a way that they have to look a ships, career, substance abuse; little bit deeper inside of themstress management and sexual selves for the answer." assault. Although all five counselors are So whether you attend a workgeneralists and discuss a wide shop, group session or individual range of issues, they each have difcounseling, the counselors will proferent disciplines. vide you with the best assistance According to Badger, Dr. Smith they can. focuses on career counseling, Dr. "All counselors are versed in all Robert Morphet's concentration is issues," Smith said. "[The substance abuse, Dr. Valerie Kisler Counseling Center] provides a safe works with eating disorders and place students can come to get Dr. Lynn Roeder targets sexual help." Get PierCed At eyebrow, ear cartilage, navel:\$25 tongue, exotic piercing labret: \$35 We specialize in tattooing an body piercing on We will beat any · We are Greenville's only health competitor's advertised department inspected studio prices! • We have been in business over 8 Large selection of imported years with 15 years experience And domestic jewelry! Tuesday - ThuRsday: 1-9 p.m.; Friday: 1-10 p.m.; Saturday: 12-10 p.m. CALL US! 756-0600 **NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY** TATTOOING BY AWARD WINNING ARTISTS! From downtown, go straight down Dickinson Avenue Extension, located at 4685 US Hwy. 13, Greenville. www.attic-nightclub.com







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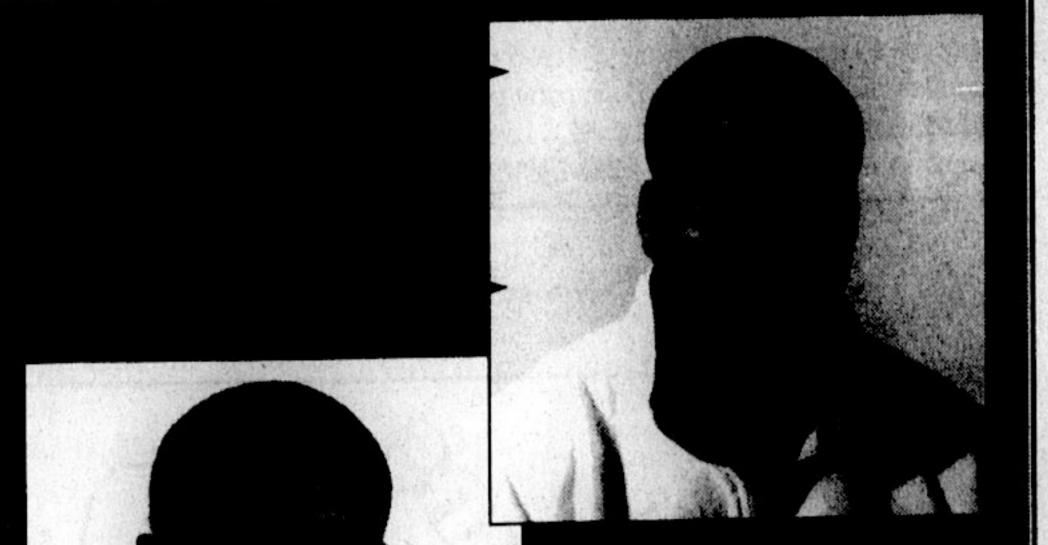


400 meter stable exceptionally deep

STEPHEN SCHRAMM SPORTS EDITOR

can run the quarter. If you can't run the quarter, you don't get much respect in the program," Miller said. The history of quarter-milers at the school also propitiates the flow of quality runners into the program. "I was looking to go to a school with a tradition of good 400-meter runners. I looked at ECU's past and all of the all-Americans and I decidew sports at ECU have the history and national reputation ed, this is the place for me," Ward of Bill Carson's princers. The said





Pigskin Pig-Out slated for April 18

Event showcases Pirate athletics

BLAINE DENIUS SENIOR WRITER

With the return of the Great Pirate Purple/Gold Pigskin Pig-Out, ECU fans can tame their cravings for good Southern cooking and that first glimpse of the '99 Pirate football team. The 16th annual Pigskin Pig-Out is scheduled to begin April 16 with a golf tournament and run throughout the weekend concluding with a home and garden show on April 18. The event is a carnival style celebration that will be held in Stadium. Dowdy-Ficklen Activities will include numerous

exhibits, rides and musical performances, but the center of attention will be the ECU athletic program. The highlight of the weekend showcases the Pirate football team in their first official scrimmage of the year before a crowd in Dowdy-Ficklen.

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Assistant athletic director at ECU, Lee Workman, says the main purpose of this event is to create some good exposure for the Pirate athletic program. He also believes



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the 400. This year we've got five really good ones. We put an emphasis on the 400. It's my strong point," Carson said.

Carson's program has built around the 400 meters. The program's success with the distance is a product of Carson's mindset in

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group, was also an all-American from the team in 1997. Miller has

the event provides an in-depth look at ECU athletics and works to bring new students and fans to the university.

"It's a great activity for students and fans to come in and have a good time," Workman said. "It's a great day because it's free to come on site and free to see the bands."

SEE PIGSKIN PAGE 11

Some may say Expos team of 90s

Montreal's plight reflects state of the game



STEPHEN SCHRAMM

SPORTS EDITOR

argument arises over which team

deserves to be called the "Team of

around the Braves and the Yankees.

post-season every year since 1991,

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it. Thus, I can't give them my

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and last year put together the best

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the 1970s. However, they were

somewhat of a non-factor during

some points in the decade and

being an ardent Orioles fan I cannot

give them the nod as the decade's

Now that we've ruled two of the

front-runners, let me suggest one

more candidate. This team was not

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ture where almost half of the teams are out of contention before opening day.

1997 NL MVP Larry Walker, Cy Young Award winner Pedro Martinez, and perennial All-Stars Andres Galarraga and Moises Alou all began their careers as Expos. Former Expos are plentiful on the rosters of contenders and World Series teams.

The Expos are a team with an excellent front office and great farm system. However, the team is stuck

"Our program is based around athletes he has ever coached.

who was the best we've ever had. Damon Davis is close, second or third," Carson said. Miller, the only senior in the

shown himself to be a skilled relay

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Softball holds 29-14 overall record

Pirates notch two sweeps

JEAN WHARTON STAFF WRITER

East Carolina softball continues to win both on the road and on home turf.

After pulling off a weekend sweep of Big South teams Charleston Southern University and Winthrop University, ECU jumped back into action to defeat Campell 2-1 in game one and 6-0 in game two on Tuesday's double header.

The weekend on the road pushed the Pirates winning record

further as ECU beat CSU 5-1 in the first game and 12-1 in the second. The Pirates out hit the Buccaneers 13-3 in game two and stole a season high eight bases to move their record 29-14 over all and 4-2 in the Big South.

"It feels good, especially since we've been splitting lately," senior Isonette Polonius said.

Polonius continues to lead the team in batting, notching her 12th home run of the season on Sunday against Winthrop. Denise Reagan pitched a pair of shutouts as ECU downed Winthrop 5-0 in game one and 4-0 in game two.

"I am very pleased to go home with two conference road sweeps under our belts," head coach Tracey Kee said.

ECU's winning season has been balance between strong hitting

lead by Polonius and tough pitching by Reagan.

Coming off a stellar weekend, Reagan kept the teams winning record by hurling for yet another shutout against Campbell.

"Everything just came together," Reagan said, "It felt really good.'

Reagan's teammates support her strong showing on the mound and attribute much of the teams success this season to the junior hurler.

"Reagan has been doing great pitching for us," Polonius said. "We've battled and really come together."

The Pirates were able to keep their momentum going againist Campbell with Polonius going 3for-3 with two runs scored and one Keisha Sophmore RBI. Shepperson was 1-for-2 with runs

scored and four stolen bases while junior Amekea McDougald notched ECU last hit and scored one run and stole one base.

Although the Camels attempted to rally with seven hits ECU defense was too much.

"We're playing really well together as a team, that helps a lot," freshmen Eva Herron said.

ECU gears up for the next series of games trying to maintain their six game winning streak.

"We want to carry this to the confrence games this weekend and win the important ones," Reagan said.

ECU is now 33-14 overall and 6-2 in the Big South. The Pirates hit the road today April 15 as they take on UNC-Greensboro in a rescheduled game that was because of rain.

in the smallest of markets, in a town who has shown themselves to be largely apathetic towards pro baseball and their team. At the close of every decade the

The Expos' plight has repeated itself numerous times over the course of the decade. Talent is brought up. The players perform well, and when their contracts run out, the Expos can't afford to keep them. So the players head to an American team for more money. The circle goes on and on, whether it be Mike Lansing, Carlos Perez, endorsement to call themselves the Delino DeShields or Marquis Grissom.

> Current Expos stars such as Dustin Hermanson and Rondell White will probably leave Montreal when their contracts run out as well.

The Expos now sit on the poor side of the chasm that separates baseball's haves and have-nots. The team did not get funding for a new downtown ballpark and is threatening to move. If that is not a prime example of where baseball is at now,I don't know what is.

If there is a team that has been producing the highest level of talent and is indicative of the current economic structure of baseball it is the Montreal Expos. So what if they weren't the best team of the decade. If you were to pick a team that best fit the moniker "Team of

their career, they had been lured Hornet's forward Mason not prosecuted away from the team before they

CHARLOTTE (AP) - Charlotte Hornets forward Anthony Mason won't be prosecuted as a result of a Chicago woman's accusation that Mason raped her in his Charlotte home in January.

Mecklenburg prosecutor David Wallace said Monday that there was not sufficient evidence to prove a rape or sexual assault occurred.

"She never told police there were any sort of physical threats or verbal threats," Wallace said.

Mason has denied the accusation since it became public nearly four months ago.

The 20-year-old woman told police she met Mason, 32, near her Chicago home and had had prior sexual contact with him before agreeing to visit him at his home in Charlotte, Wallace said.

In a search warrant affidavit,

police said the woman reported she was in Mason's bedroom around 1 a.m. on Jan. 8 when Mason forced her to have sexual intercourse.

She also said Mason invited a second uniden-

tified man to perform sex acts on her and she refused. Mason then forced her to have sex with again, him

twice, the warrant said.

Later that day, the woman returned home and reported the incident to Chicago police, who referred her to Charlotte-Mecklenburg police, the warrant said.

"When asked specifically what she considered to be the force that

was used, she stated to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg investigators that he didn't use a condom," Wallace said.

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Observer reported.

Mason, sitting out for the abbreviated NBA season after arm surgery, declined comment, but his agent and attorney said they expected Monday's decision. "I'm glad it's been put to rest,"

said Frank Rothman, Mason's New York attorney.

Rothman represented Mason in an unrelated case last year in "There would be insufficient which Mason and his cousin were arrested in New York on charges of felony statutory rape. Two girls, ages 15 and 14, told police they had consensual sex with the two

> Prosecutors dropped the felony charges against Mason in June after Mason agreed to plead guilty to two counts of misdemeanor child endangerment and serve 200 hours of community service.

Mason's cousin, William Duggins, pleaded guilty to one count of statutory rape and one count of child endangerment and was sentenced to five years' probation and 800 hours of community service.

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Dan Meehan, El-Amin was arrested

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UConn Guard El-Amin arrested

promising to appear for a court Connecticut (Ticker) Khalid El-Amin, the startdate," Meehan said. ing point guard for NCAA champi-

El-Amin, who just completed his sophomore season, averaged 13.8 points and 3.9 assists as the Huskies captured the NCAA Tournament title for the first time in school history. Last week, he announced he would return for his junior season and help Connecticut defend its title rather than enter the NBA draft.



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Orioles off to slow start

BALTIMORE (AP) — Will Clark sat in front of his locker, a bulky ice pack on his left knee and a strained look on his face. He glanced at the food in the middle of the clubhouse, which to him appeared as worthless as his .478 batting average.

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Clark contributed at least one hit in each of his first six games in Baltimore, capping his opening week Sunday with a homer and two RBIs. Yet the Orioles blew a 4-0 lead against the Toronto Blue Jays and finished their opening homestand 2-4 and in the AL East cellar. "I'd trade the hits and homers

for wins," said Clark, who signed a two-year, \$11 million contract in December. "The food tastes a lot better when you win."

Unless the Orioles improve their th

duction ahead of Albert Belle _ who's hitting .409 with five RBIs has been wasted because Baltimore's pitching staff owns a 6.00 ERA.

"This team is going to score some runs, but not five or six every day," manager Ray Miller said. "So we're just going to have to pitch better."

Mike Mussina owns both Oriole wins, closer Mike Timlin has two saves and Heathcliff Slocumb has yet to yield a run. That pretty much covers the list of Baltimore pitchers who have been effective this season.

"But as bad as it's gone, it can turn around quickly," Clark said.

The Orioles plummeted after a 10-3 start last season, staggering to the finish in fourth place with a 79-83 record. At this point they've got nowhere to go but up and to else. He hopes more ECU students will become involved in this event and become more familiar with the athletic program at their university. "I really encourage students to come out and enjoy the weekend and be a part of what we are doing," Workman said. "I hope students will be a part of the bands, ride rides, eat barbecue, watch the games and bring all their friends to have a good time." This year's pig-out party will be even more sports focused. In years past the football scrimmage was the only sporting event for fans to watch. However, the Pirate baseball and softball teams will be joining in the festivities this weekend as fans are invited to enjoy home matches for both clubs. The Pirate baseball team will play April 16 and 17 at 7 p.m. and April 18 at 2 p.m. at Harrington Field. The ECU softball team will host Radford April 17 at 12:30 p.m. ECU baseball players are excit-

Yankee Stadium.

After a day off Monday, Baltimore begins an 11-game road trip today with three games against the defending world champion Yankees. The key game is Thursday's finale, when Mussina faces Roger Clemens.

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The Orioles went 0-6 at Yankee Stadium last year in a controversial series that included a questionable call by an umpire and the fastball from Armando Benitez that hit Tino Martinez in the back and started a brawl.

The Orioles have little chance to win if they performed as they did Sunday, when a botched rundown and a shoddy performance by the bullpen produced a shower of jeers from the soggy, chilled crowd.

"You've got to go up there and play good baseball," Clark said. "You don't do that, you don't win."

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Although the pig-out party began in 1984 as a method to provide exposure for ECU, it has evolved into an event that accomplishes much more. This weekend is also one of the main drives to raise funds for ECU's student athletic scholarships. Although the football team is spotlighted during the weekend, the money raised is used to provide scholarships for students participating in all the sports offered at ECU.

"We hoped this event would turn into a fund-raiser for the student scholarship program," Workman said. "The money for the scholarships comes from the rides, food and the home and garden show."

According to Workman, this weekend is geared for brothers, sisters, moms, dads and everyone ed to be a part of this Pirate tradition and hope the large crowd will make its way to Harrington Field throughout the weekend.

"I think it's a great opportunity to come see Pirate athletics and raise money for us," said Nick Schnabel, junior infielder for the ECU baseball team.

According to Travis Thompson, senior pitcher for the Pirates, he hopes this event can increase the Greenville community's involvement in Pirate athletics. He also hopes to interact with those fans who come to check out this celebration and plans on the team playing well for the hometown crowd.

"We get lots of support from the community," Thompson said. "I hope the Pig-Out will bring in even more support."

Individuals interested in attending the Great Pirate Purple/Gold Pigskin Pig-Out can contact 1-800 DIAL ECU for more information.

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Aikman inks new deal with Dallas Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Troy gers.' Aikman once again is the highestpaid player in the NFL, reworking his contract with the Dallas Cowboys so he'll get \$85.5 million through 2007, a league source who asked to remain anonymous told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

The deal includes a whopping \$20 million signing bonus. Aikman already has received \$13 million and will get the remaining \$7 million in early 2001, the source said.

Neither Cowboys owner Jerry Jones nor Aikman's agent, Leigh Steinberg, would discuss the terms of the deal other than to say it gives the team much more flexibility under the salary cap for several years.

Under a contract that previously made Aikman pro football's salary leader, Aikman was to make \$6.5 million in 1999, \$7.25 million in 2000 and \$8 million in 2001. The new deal drastically lowers those figures but includes a six-year extension, locking Aikman up beyond his 41st birthday. The source did not have the annual breakdown of the new contract.

"We have extended the contract of Troy Aikman to the point where this franchise and our fans are sure to have him for the rest of his career," Jones said. "We are very pleased this agreement has been completed."

ing to sign several free agents and must have money left for the players they pick in the draft this week-

"It had been six years since we'd last done Troy's last contract, and in those six years there had been major changes," Steinberg said. "Rarely does someone play that long on one contract."

The deal was hammered out mostly during an all-night negotiating session late Friday through early Saturday. It was finalized Monday and announced Tuesday during a news conference that also featured the signing of center Mark Stepnoski, a former Cowboy and a close friend to Aikman. Stepnoski was given a five-year, \$10.5 million contract, plus a \$3.5 million signing bonus. Neither Aikman nor Steinberg attended the news conference.

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runner. "Mike Miller is a great relay run-

ner," Carson said. Ward begins his Pirate career this year. He has raised eyebrows making strong showings against the toughest competition. "Lawrence Ward is going to be

very good," Carson said. The squad's bond extend beyond the track.

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"Yeah, we're a pretty close team, we've always been that way," Miller said.



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Aikman has reworked his previous contract practically every season to help Dallas get under the cap. The Cowboys were desperate for space now because they're try-





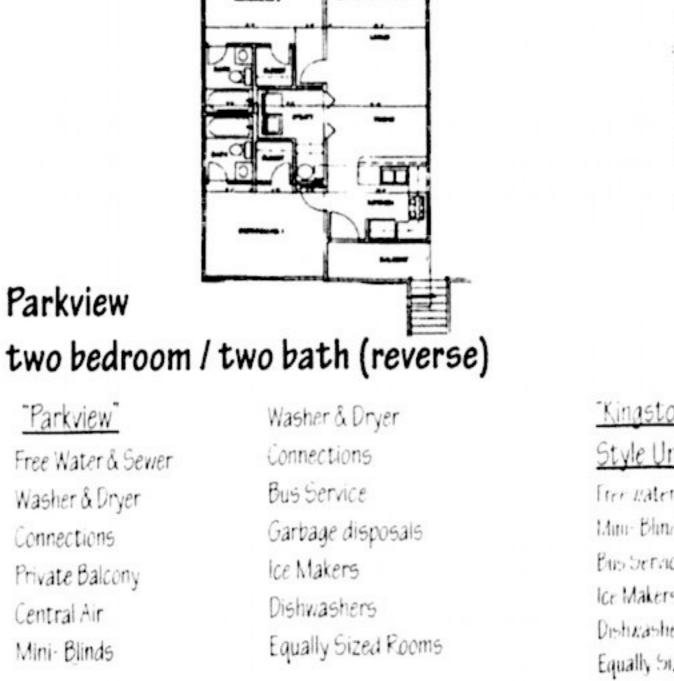
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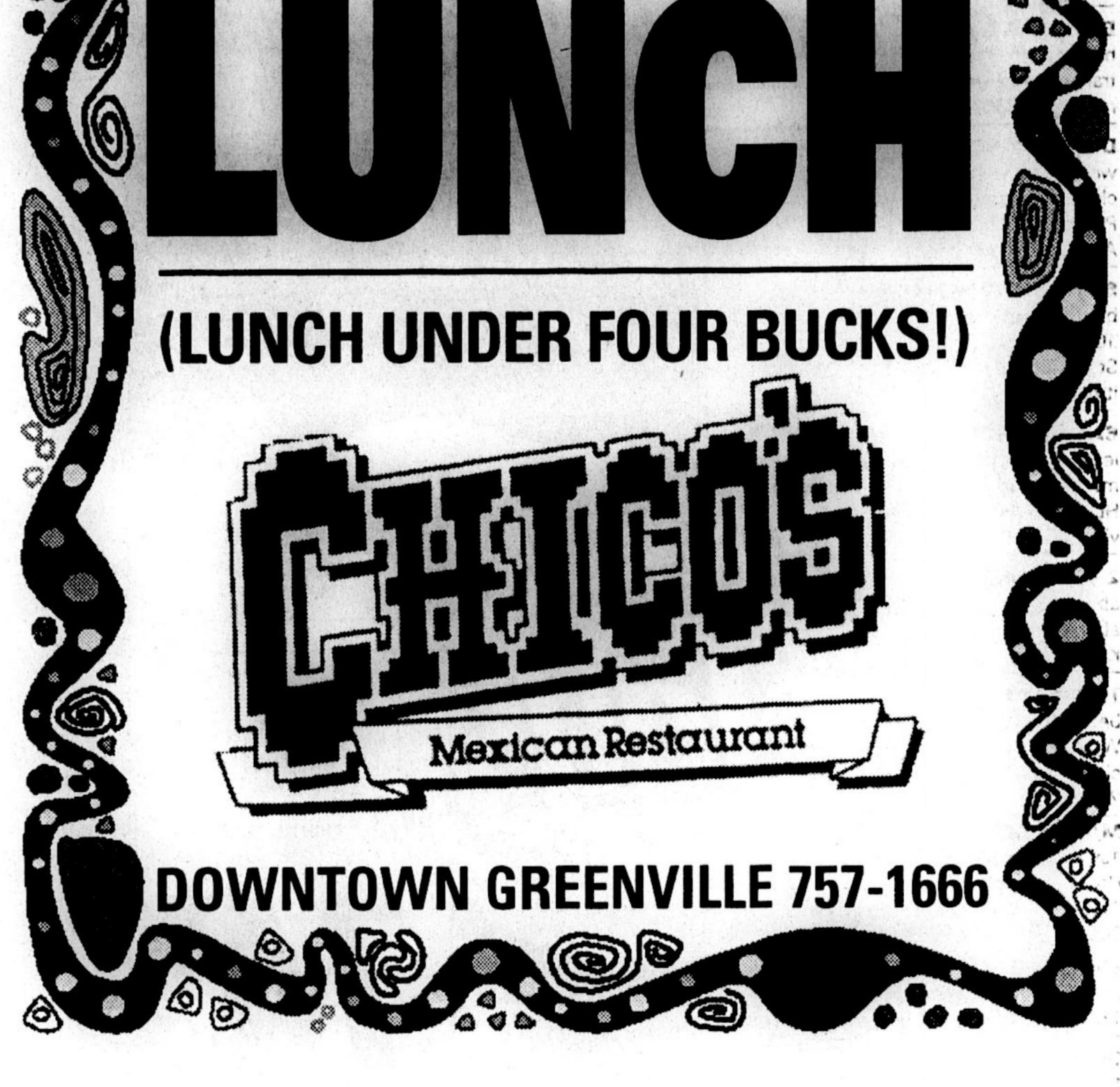
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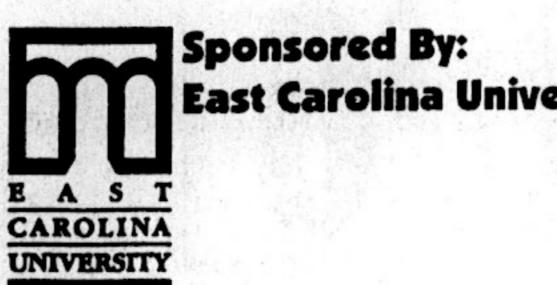
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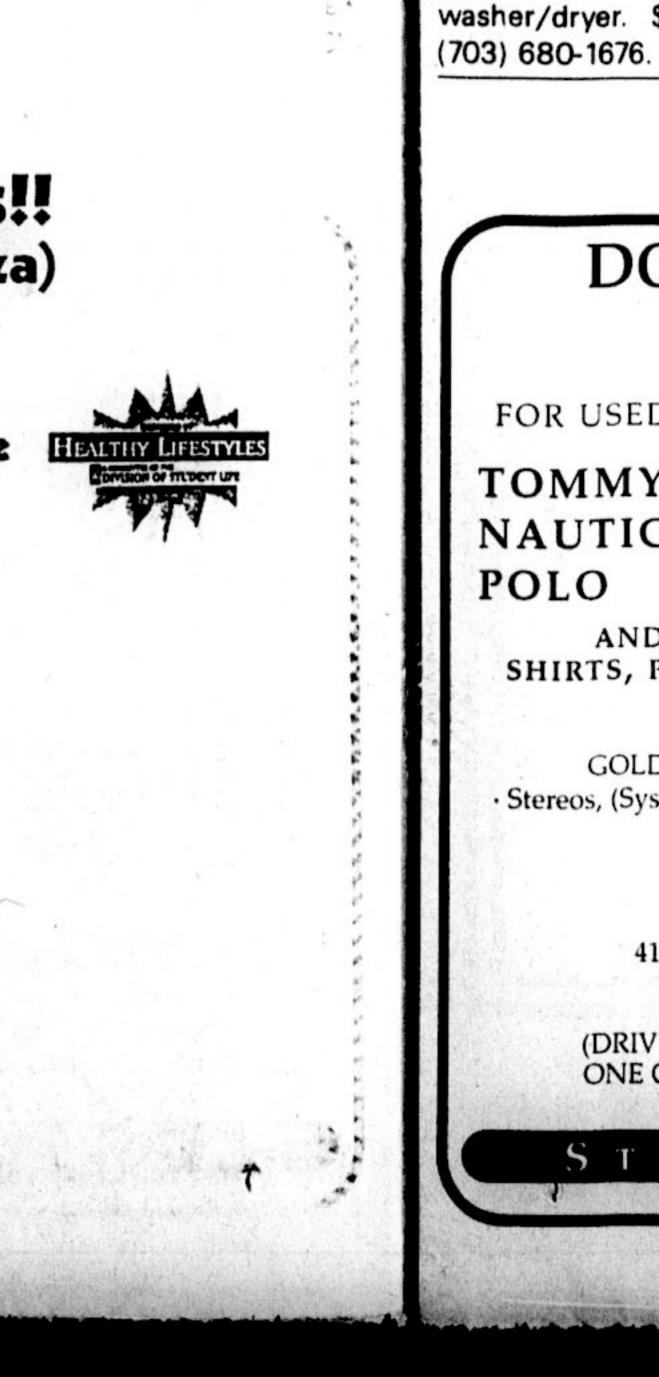
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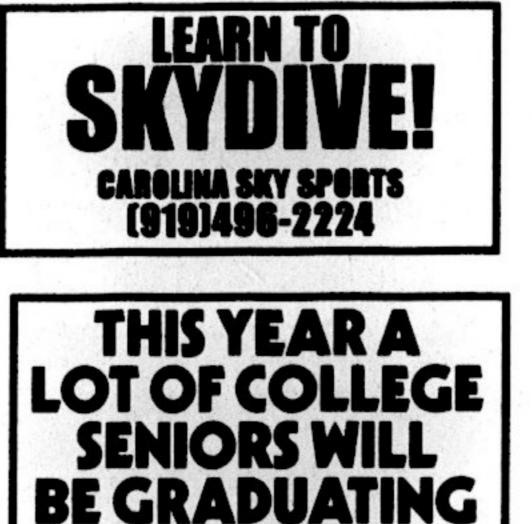
GREEK PERSONALS

SIGMA ALPHA Epsilon - we had a blast singing with you guys on Friday night. Thanks for showing us a great time. Love, Alpha Phi

CONGRATULATIONS KATIE on getting into OT school. Love, your Chi Omega sisters

ZETA TAU Alpha hopes everyone has had a great Greek Week!

TO THE brothers of Pi Kappa Phi, thank you for sharing our big sis party with us. We had a blast. Love, the sisters and new members of Delta Zeta



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My fellow students,

In my opinion, the Student Government Association has accomplished many things this year. It is hard to believe that our terms on the SGA executive council are almost over. There is still work to be done and I feel that we have the right people in place to make a difference. I would like to congratulate Cliff Webster, John Meriac, Overton Harper and Jessica Dowdy on their recent election to the SGA executive offices. I am extremely confident in their abilities to lead our student government into the next century. I would like to personally thank all of the students who have taken it upon themselves to get involved and make a difference. These students have allowed for this university to be more conducive to the welfare of the entire student body. The entire SGA is a team and every member is just as important as the next. Thank you all for your dedication and commitment to the welfare of your fellow students. In one last piece of business, we are hosting all of the SGA leadership scholarship nominees on campus on April 21. This will give us an opportunity to showcase the program and our University. We are excited about the impact many of these students will have on East Carolina. Email the current or new SGA President at sgaprez@hotmail.com

> **Eric Rivenbark SGA President**

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION YOUR SGA April 5, 1999 March 29, 1999 Name - Joshua Jeremiah Appropriations-1 New Appropriations-No Report Screenings-No Report Beardsley Rules and Judiciary-1 New, 10ld Screenings-1 New lear in school - Senior Student Welfare-1 New Student Welfare-No Report Major - BIOLOGY **Rules and Judiciary-1 New** Position on SGA - SGA Attorney **QUESTIONS AND PRIVILIDGES** General Mr. Rivenbark passed around the SGA banquet sign-up sheet. QUESTIONS AND PRIVILIDGES **Duties** - Head of the Judicial Branch Mr. Stancill passed out the budget report. We have a current Mr. Stancill announced that the funding workshop will be of the SGA, Make Constitutional balance of \$0.00 and this Fri. April 9th is the deadline for Wed. in MSC 221. Mr. Harper announced that Jessica decisions and interpretations, biannuals. Mr. Kaltenschnee announced that there are still Dowdy's Grandfather passed away. Please keep her in Represent the University in Honor two open positions available for election committee members. your thoughts. Ms. Pulley passed out ballots for SGA Board, Academic Integrity Board, & Review Board hearings. I make awards and a sign-up sheet for the SGA banquet. Melissa sanctioning decisions for those who have violated a letter of the NEW BUSINESS Hajimahalis announced that there are three positions open Mr. Shoffner introduced L.B. 21-1: "Phi Sigma Tau Philosophy code of conduct, I also have the authority to dismiss charges Club." Mr. Papera introduced L.R. 21-1: "SGA Supports brought against someone, though it is on very rare occasions when for jobs as traveling representatives for the admissions Improved Lighting on the Central Campus Mail." Mr. Harper that happens. Responsible for the training of the honor board. office. introduced L.B. 21-2: "Phi Sigma Tau Philosophy Club." Other Organizations - RA for two years, member of the National Residence Hall Honorary, Vice President of the NRHH last semester. NEW BUSINESS OLD BUSINESS Prior SGA Experience - I was a member of the Honor Board for a Year Mr. Shoffner introduced L.B. 20-1: "Constitution for NC Mr. Shoffner revisited L.B. 20-1: "Constitution of NC Student How and why did you get into SGA - I got into SGA because I want-Student Rural Health Coalition-Undergraduate Chapter of

ECU." Mr. Harper introduced a list of candidates for the Honor Board. All were approved. Mr. Rashid introduced Philip Gilfus to be screened onto the Legislature. He was approved and allowed to join the Legislature.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Screenings-Not meeting Appropriations-Not meeting Student Welfare-Not meeting Rules and Judiciary-4:45 The meeting was adjourned at 5:20.

Respectfully Submitted,

John P. Meriac, SGA Secretary

Steve W. Marasco, SGA Speaker of the House

ed to have an impact on the campus, & there was no better way to do it. The Honor Board enabled me to help, in a very real way, to make a difference. After I spent 'ryear on the board I ran for the Attorney General position, becal se I wanted to utilize the experience that I received from the board, and step up my involvement, and I have enjoyed every minute of my term as Attorney General. Why should others get into SGA - I believe that anybody who has anything to offer this University, which is every student at ECU, should get involved with SGA. There is no other organization on campus that allows you to better this campus, & make decisions that truly do affect the entire campus as much as SGA does. I encourage everybody to get involved. What else would you like the students of ECU to know - If I could

add anything else, I would just like to let the students know about the Judicial process. Most students do not even know that the Honor Board exists. We are not just here to decide whether students have violated policy or not, but we are also here for students to bring complaints to, if they feel that any of there rights have been violated by other students. I would encourage everybody to get involved in some way or another. If anybody has any questions regarding the judicial branch of the SGA, they can contact me at my office at 328-4722, or contact the Dean of Students.

Rural Health Coalition" and was favorably approved.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Marasco announced that if you need a copy of ECU SGA Constitution or By-Laws, see Millie Murphy in MSC 255. Mr. Rashid announced that no more candidates for the Legislature will be screened on this semester. Appropriations-4:00 Screenings-Not Meeting Student Welfare-4:45 rm. 242 **Rules and Judiciary-4:45**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10.

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As the year ends the Student Welfare committee is finishing up its projects and getting ready for the next school year. A bill currently in front of the legislature is a bill supporting the improved lighting on the mall. We are also preparing to bring up a new academic grievance procedure for the university in the fall. We are supporting a grievance procedure that would allow students to air their grievances to a committee made up of both faculty, staff, and students to give the person bringing up the grievance a more balanced resolution.

Email the chair with questions or opinions about campus issues at: studentwelfare@hotmail.com

NOTICE: All organizations that turned in requests for bi-annual funding for the fall semester 1999 will be contacted within the next two weeks to set up appointments with the appropriations committee.

The Appropriations Committee of the Student Government Association has met with two groups since our last report. On Monday, March 22nd, the committee met with ECU Model United Nations Club and appropriated \$128.00 to be used for travel. The following Monday, March 29th, the committee met with the Society for Technical Communication and appropriated \$153.00 for travel. The next appropriations meeting will be on Monday, April 19 at 4:00 P.M. in MSC 212. The committee will begin meeting with organizations on that day for bi-annual funding for next fall. Email the chair with questions about how to get your organization funded at: appropriations@hotmail.com

On March 1st, the Rules and Judiciary Committee recommends that the SGA Legislature approve LB17-1, "Constitution of the Hockey Club Society of ECU". On March 22nd, the SGA Legislature approves LB17-1, "Constitution of the Hockey Club Society of ECU" by a unanimous vote. On March 29th, the Rules and Judiciary Committee recommends that the SGA Legislature approve LB20-1, "Constitution for NC Student Rural Health Coalition-Undergraduate Chapter of ECU". On April 5th, the Rules and Judiciary Committee recommends that the SGA Legislature approve LB21-1, "Phi Sigma Tau (Philosophy Club) Constitution". The SGA Legislature approves LB20-1, "Constitution for NC Student Rural Health Coalition-Undergraduate Chapter of ECU" by a unanimous vote. Email the chair about how to register your organization with SGA or questions about your organizations constitution at: rules_judiciary@hotmail.com





Rebecca Charny Staff Writer

Thursday, March 25th was the long-awaited opening date of Ham's sports restaurant and bar in Greenville. Since then, the place has become a haven to crowds of people searching for reasonably priced food, freshly brewed beer and a great atmosphere. Ham's is a family establishment that's conveniently located off of Evans Street, right across from the Marathon and Two Greeks restaurants. The close location to both downtown and campus and its late hours (Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.) appeals to droves of college students.

This will be the 15th total Ham's restaurant in NC; Greenville is now the home of one of the few Ham's within the Eastern part of the state.

Ham's serves everything from pizza to hamburgers to pasta; a variety of vegetarian dishes are also available. All of this is served within a price range of four to seven dollars in a casual, down-toearth atmosphere.

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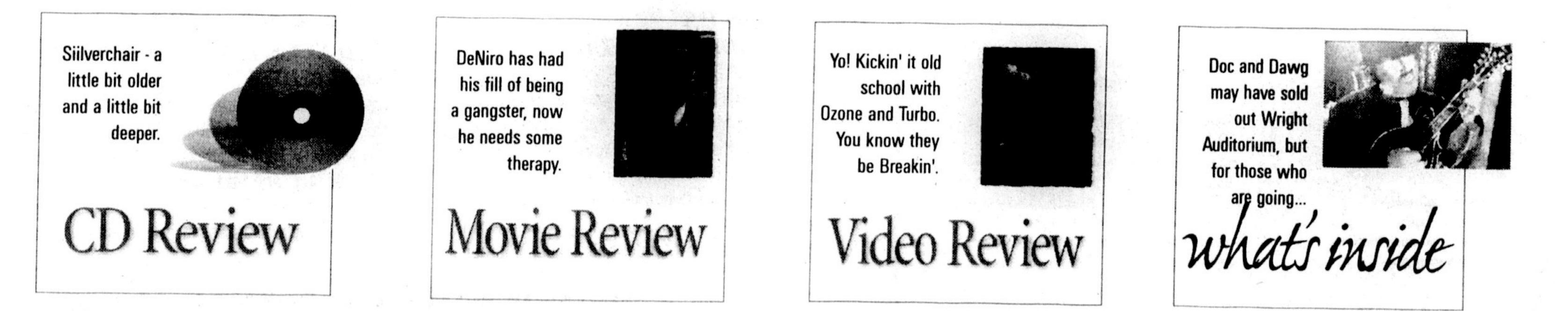
"It has a friendly atmosphere with good service," customer Xiao Xin Lu said.

Megan Hopkins agrees about her visit. "The atmosphere was great! It's a great new addition to Greenville," she said. Ham's place seems to bring out a good crowd, especially the night life.

"It's a great place to meet people" said Christy Holton. "I like the comfortable atmosphere."

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Ham's promises "nothing but a good time"



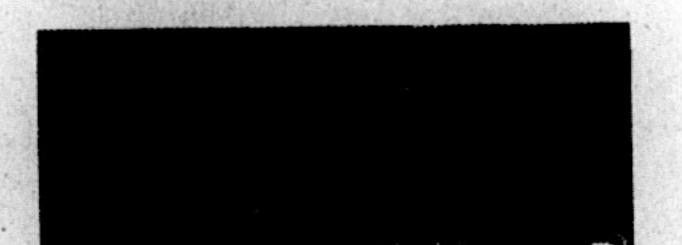
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Patrick McMahon Staff Writer

Silverchair "Neon Ballroom"



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Year 2000", is a really great song to listen to while in your car or at home. When you sit down and listen to the lyrics, however, you find cheesy "we are the youth/the politicians are so sure/we are the youth/knocking on death's door." The CD really shines when lead guitarist/vocalist Daniel Johns has a chance to display his range. From the song "Emotion Sickness," where he croons over a full orchestra, to the angry Korn-esque tune "Spawn Again," where he yells in a surprisingly cool hook, Johns displays a surprising ability to change vocal styles at the drop of a hat. As he changes vocal styles, the band also flips musical styles just as quickly. From the rage-filled, guitarand-bass-driven "Spawn Again" to the quiet acoustic jam "Black Tangled Heart" the music alternates styles a little too quickly for my taste. If I would fault anything on this album, it would be that. I mean, do they want to sound like the hard-driving rockers that they seemingly are or do they want to just make mediocre rock songs and cool sixminute ballads? In all, the CD is a pretty decent album. Would I recommend it for a friend to purchase? Probably not, but I'd definitely lend them my copy so they can hear it and make up their mind before buying it. I'm sure that the band's newfound range of music will turn off some die-hard rockers but their style will definitely pick up a few fans along the way. Don't get me wrong, these guys haven't turned into corporate ball boys doing light radio rock so they can sell a few records to aging Zeppelin fans in need of something a little toned down. They still know how to get down to business on most of the

Poppin' Stoppin' and Breakin' old School

Video Review

Caleb Rose Breakdancin' fool

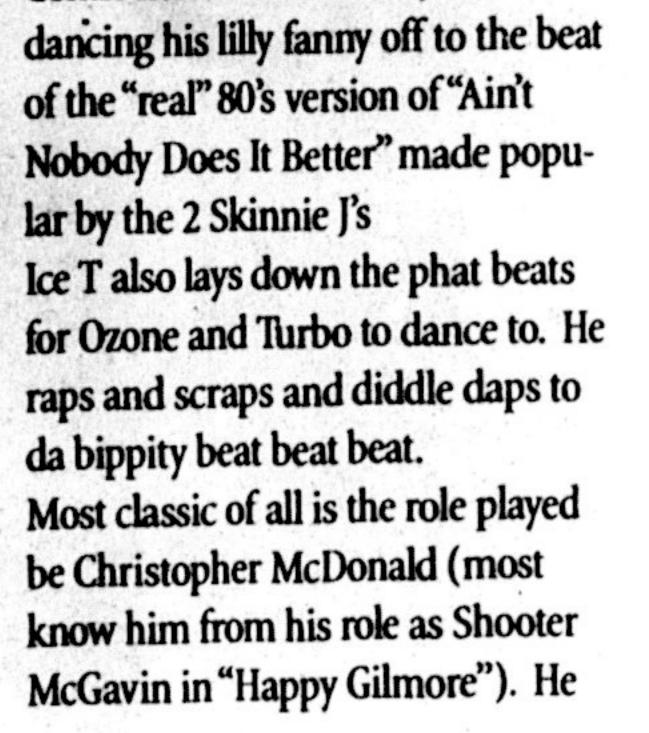
Watch this video and soon you will be poppin', stopin', and breakin' in no time at all. This classic flick stars breakdancers "Shabba Doo" Quinones and "Boogaloo" Chambers. Of course these are the actors' street names; disclosing their real names would be punishable by death. Anyway, there is a great storyline behind this video-cassette dance extravaganza. A classically trained ballerina named Kelly is taken aback by two street dancers at large named Ozone (Shabba Doo Quinones) and Turbo (Boogaloo Chambers). One night Kelly witnesses these two breakers get out-danced by their rival "Electro Rock".



proper girl, but things go wrong and it is hard to be together. We don't care about this though...the plot can't hold a candle to the music, language and best of all, cameo appearances by Jean-Claude Van Damme and Ice mothergrabbin' T. Comic moments include Jean Claude

Usually CD reviews are kind of easy because they require only a light amount of thinking and are pretty straightforward when it comes to writing one. But, as my luck would have it, I get to review a CD this week that requires a full range of thought to listen to and "hear." Neon Ballroom is the Australian band's follow-up to the highly popular Frogstomp, which blasted these three young guys into instant stardom. With a charismatic lead singer who resembled Kurt Cobain a little too much for comfort and sounded a little too much like Eddie Vedder, the band was widely criticized for trying to copy other bands' highly successful sounds. Despite the detractors, the band became famous off distinctive hits like "Fat Boy." So with that history comes their newest release, Neon Ballroom (Epic Records). It isn't one of those listento-once-and-get-the-picture kind of disks. It is, well, deep. It seems as though the band has developed a social consciousness over the last few years that becomes apparent on the album. While a welcome addition to their lineup, some attempts come off as a little silly. For instance, the second song, "Anthem for the

Bust itl Do a headspin, man Turbo and Ozone were missing one key element in their dancing: a female dancer. They form a plan to incorporate Kelly into the dance mix and the rivals are eventually danced The story line is classic: 80's hardass street guy falls in love with the rich



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into oblivion.

To Be Scared APRIL 15-17 AT 8 P.M., APRIL 18 AT 3 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATER

/ Still Know What You Did Last Summer (R) This one takes place one year after the original movie by ECU grad Kevin Williamson. Julie and her roommate, Karla, take their boyfriends to the Bahamas, only to find they are still being stalked by the hook- wielding killer who knows what she did last summer You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.

To Jam Out **APRIL 17 AT FLETCHER OUTDOOR** AMPHITHEATER FROM 10:00 P.M. TO 11:45 Bummed out because you can't afford to go see a

To Catch A Free Flick APRIL 22-24 AT 8 P.M., APRIL 25 AT 3 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATER

Saving Private Ryan (R) In the midst of World War II, it is found that three casualties are brothers, and the mother will be receiving three death notices on the same day. Inquiries from the army reveal that there are in fact four brothers, and one is still alive deep into enemy territory. A mission is deployed to find Private James Ryan and send him home. You and a guest get in free when you present your valid



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concert? Well, be bummed no more! The Pirate Underground presents alternative band Fighting Gravity free of charge on April 17.

To Go Places APRIL 20 AT 4:00 P.M. AND 7:30 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATER

Travel to Italy with Dwayne Merry as he explores the land of pasta in his travelogue Italy, which covers everything from Pisa to pizza. Your valid ECU One Card gets you in free. You can order an optional gourmet, all-u-can-eat theme dinner for \$12, but you need to order today by 6:00 p.m. at the Central **Ticket Office located in Mendenhall Student Center**

To Guess Who Did it **APRIL 22 AT 7:00 P.M. IN MENDENHALL** STUDENT CENTER

Peggy Sue Got Murdered Join the ECU Student Union as they present this hilarious interactive Murder-Mystery Dinner Theatre. ECU students pay only five dollars, and that includes a gourmet dinner and a ticket to the play! Tickets are on sale now at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center.

MSC Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fri., 8 a.m.-Midnight; Sat., Noon-Midnight; Sun., 1-11 p.m.

A note Staff V

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Movie Review "The Godfather" on ice

Generation.com buys,

sells, parties



Billy Crystal's career is not the only thing that has seen a shrink, Robert DeNiro seeks therapy in Analyze this

Ryan Kennemur Film (not soap scum) guy "Analyze This"

There's something inside of me that wants to write "Analyze This" a good review full of nothing but praise, but I just don't think I can do that and be able to look you good people in the eye at dinner parties. The script is funny and the acting is pretty good, but it's just too familiar. Okay, I admit it. I've been spoiled. See, it's like this. There's this series on HBO called "The Sopranos," and in a way, it beat "Analyze This" to the punch. The movie is about a mafia boss named Paul Vitti (the ever-squinting Robert DeNiro) who is having panic attacks and decides that he needs to enlist the help of a psychiatrist (the ever-Jewish Billy Crystal). This is the exact plot of the "Sopranos," almost to

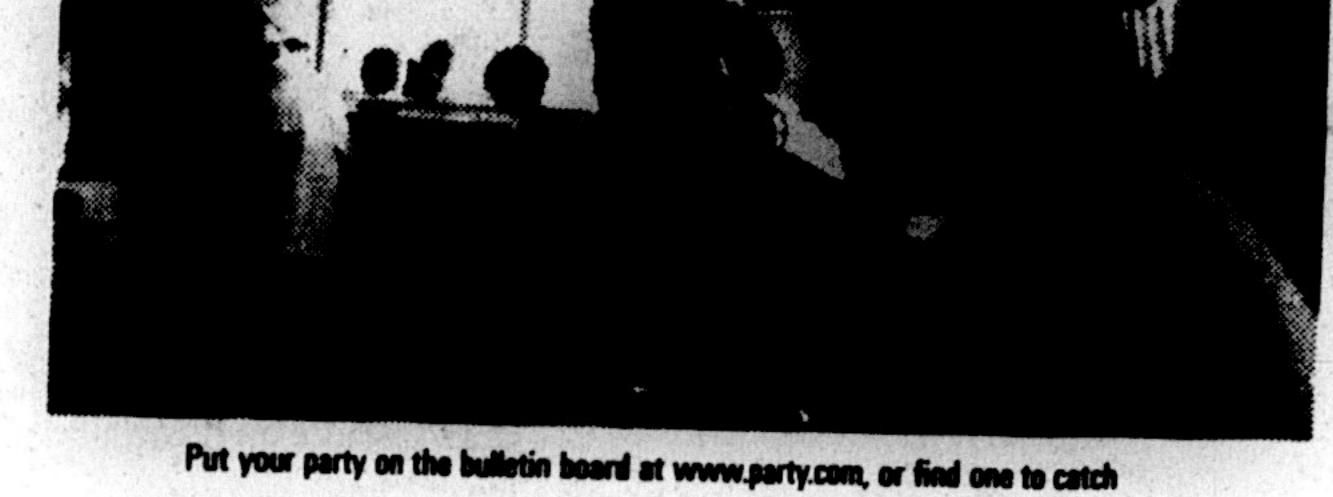
ing between all the mafia families from all over the country. After Vitti witnesses his best friend's murder in a restaurant at the beginning of the movie, he starts to have his problems. He begins to realize that someone is putting out a hit on him, and he doesn't know how to play the part of the prey, seeing as how he's always been the predator. This puts him into a spiral of anxiety that causes him to lose his nerve when it comes to killing. It gets so bad that he even cries when watching a Merrill Lynch commercial.

So, it is Family Psychiatrist Ben Sobel's job to make him better in the next two weeks, or else. Ben's problem is that he is taking off a week to get married, and that puts a damper on Paul's wellness. Paul and his boys, in turn, decide to follow him to Miami and take little snippets of his time with his fiance. Since he is scared not to, Ben helps Paul as much as he can, and eventually he comes to the root of the problem. It seems that Paul witnessed his father's murder in a restaurant and feels that he could have done something to prevent it. Pretty standard mafia-movie fare.

That's not to say that the film isn't worth watching. The screenplay is by Harold Ramis, the man responsible for such gems as "Groundhog Day," "Multiplicity" and "Stripes." DeNiro is nearly flawless in his comic timing. The only time when he's not believable is when he cries for the first time ... he looks like he's been cutting onions and eating lemons simultaneously. And Billy Crystal, although I'm not a fan, finally has the role that can put him back in the spotlight after clunkers like "My Giant" and "Father's Day." In the end, the movie is funny and entertaining...just don't go in expecting "The Godfather on Ice." If you want the real deal, tune in to HBO on Sunday nights for the "Sopranos." It being a series, we have a better chance to care about the characters and thus get more out of it.

Ryan Kennemur Human Web-slinger

Unless you've been hiding under a rock (or boulder) for the past five years, then you have probably experienced the wonderful world called the Internet. Most people know that the Internet is a place for learning, chatting with people spanning the globe, and looking at dirty pictures free of charge. What they may not know, however, is that there is much more to it than that. Web sites such as Ebay, Amazon and Party.com have been working overtime to change the way we look at the Information Superhighway. Ebay (www.ebay.com). The idea behind it is that regular people can put up items such as collectibles and musical merchandise for auction, and people all around the world can place bids on them. It's basically using the old saying "one man's trash is another man's treasure," and creating a website around that. And with sponsors like Rosie O'Donnell auctioning off things for charity, there is no telling just how lucrative an idea it is.



The biggest difference is that "Analyze This" has the subplot of a huge meetOne of the newest and fastest growing sites today is an auction forum called

"The best thing about it is that anyone can get into it," said sophomore Chris Russell.

"I think the only catch is that everything is based on your faith in your fellow man. It would be easy to take someone's money and gyp them out of

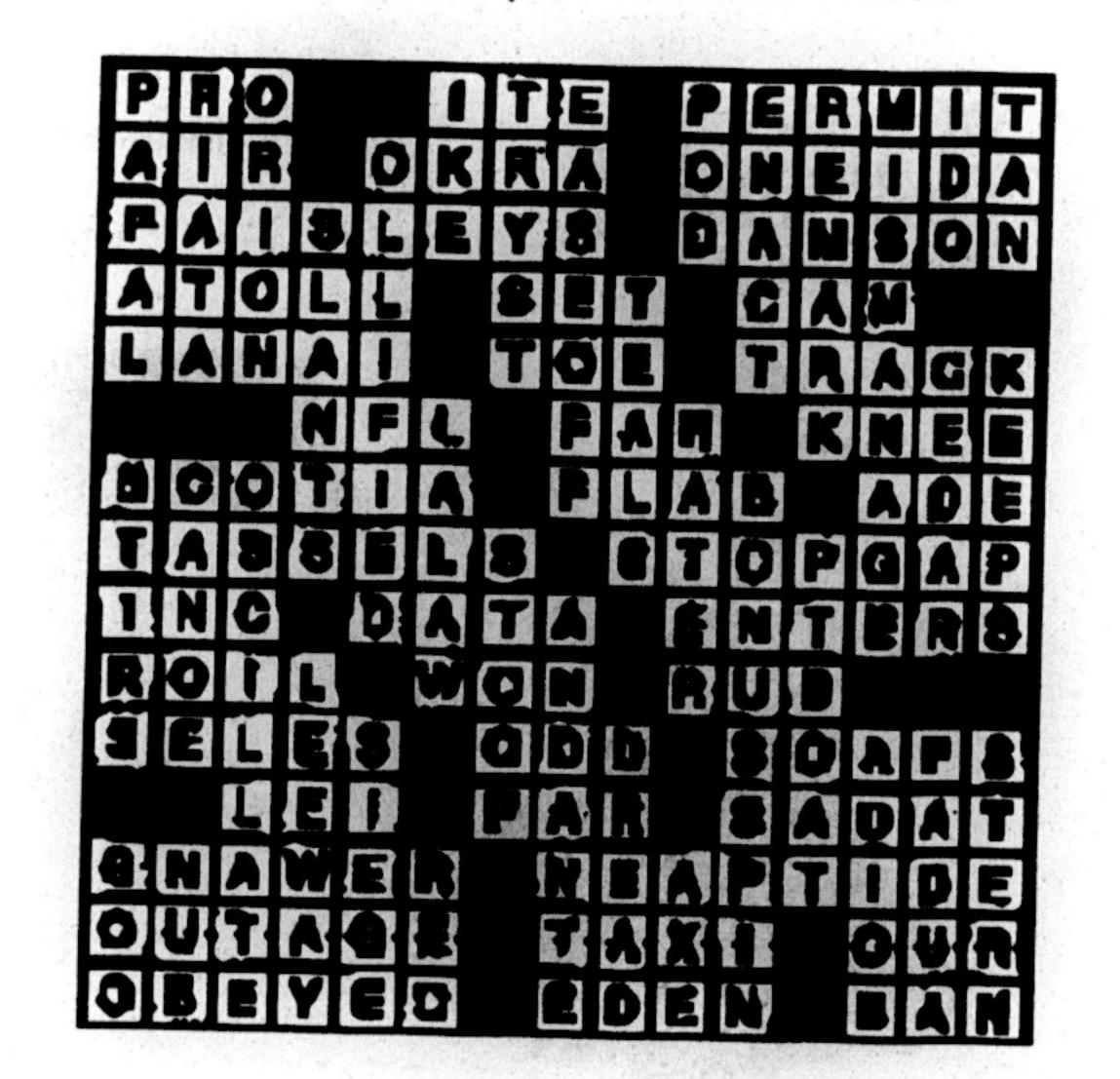
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plays the dance agent who bends

- over backwards to book TKO
- : (Turbo, Kelly and Ozone) into a
- dance competition. After many turn
- downs, TKO rebels and ... well you know the happy ending stuff. It was
- really hard to watch Christopher

answers to Tuesday's East Carolinian Crossword

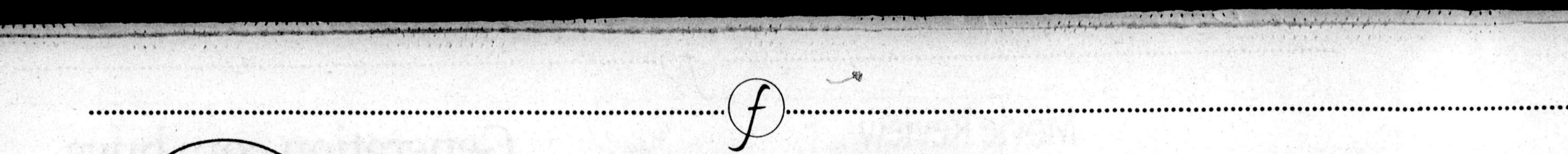


A note from Christopher Walken Staff Writer

Hi. How are you? Good. Sit down. Do you know how hard it is to find information in the public library node? Listen. I was looking up information on hot dogs, because I love hot dogs, when all of the sudden the whole system shuts down...it was a mess. This cannot happen ever again. I lost all of the information I had on hot dogs in a flash, boom! Gone. I had no other choice but to burn the place down and Tango on the ashes. So, remember this, until they make computers that have no glitches in them, I will be on a rampage of burning faulty computer terminals...that will teach them to mess with me! McDonald try and act witty and assertive and not say to yourself "Shooter!"

"Breakin" is fresh, though it is hard to find in most video stores. It was an obvious hit considering they cared to create "Breakin" 2 (the Electric Boogaloo)". Perhaps one day The Fountainhead can bring a most compelling review of this breathtaking picture as well.

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Your complete guide to upcoming events in Greenville an



April 15

A.J. Fletcher **Recital Hall-**Faculty Recital; Jeffery Bair, Saxophone; Alisa Gilliam, Piano 8:00 PM

Cat's Cradle -Strangefolk

April 16

Friday

Backdoor -Sullenspire/The Scaries/Amish

Jihad/Distance by Travel/Eiffel

Tower High Cellar

-Karaoke 9:00-close

Chef's 505 -Arvid Ray Munson

Gray Art Gallery Red Sled Art Exhibit

April 17

Backdoor

-Sacade Burned Black/Legend of the Overfiend/Mad Girl's Lovesong/Clubhouse/The Episode

Basants

Saturday

Big Jake's Bar -Karaoke and open mic

Sunday

Tuesday April 20 A Matter of Taste -Live Blues **Boli's** -Groove Riders **Peasant's Cafe**

-(Mugnite): Smokin' Grass



The Cellar -Karaoke 9:00-close

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Chef's 505 -Arvid Ray Munson

Mendenhall Movies -I Still Know What you did Last Summer

Peasant's Cafe -Ben Swift Band

Sports Pad/Splash -Karaoke 10:00-close

Mendenhall Movies I Still Know What you did Last Summer Peasant's Cafe -Dayroom (CD release party) Son II Studio -Line Dancing Sports

Pad/Splash

-Karaoke 10:00-close

Cellar -Karaoke 9:00-close

Chef's 505 -Arvid Ray Munson

Greensboro Coliseum -Aerosmith with The Afghan Whigs (Call 1-888-ETM-TIXS)

Mendenhall Movies -I Still Know What you did Last Summer

Peasant's Cafe -Cashmere Jungle Lords

Son II Studio -Sound of Country

April 18

Courtyard Tavern -B.D.C.

Mendenhall Movies -I Still Know What you did Last Summer

Peasant's Cafe -Open Mic Night

Monday

April 19



April 2

The Atti -Comedy Zone

Backdo -Liberation Front Against World

Hard Ti -Shaggin' mix at (Hardy's Original





Wright Auditorium -Doc and Dawg; Doc Watson and David Grisman 8:00PM

A.J. Fletcher **Recital Hall** -Chamber Ensemble 8:00 PM

Hendrix Theatre

-Travel Adventure Film: Italy (4:00: & 7:30 PM; Theme Dinner 6:00 PM, Mendenhall Great Room)



nts in Greenville and surrounding areas

For More Information

Saturday April 17 Wright Auditorium

Band

Preview

Doc and Dawg (Doc Watson and David Grisman)

Top 15 Songs 15. Collective Soul "Run"

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Greenville, NC 752-7049 The Beef Barn Greenville, NC 756-1161 **Big Jake's Bar** Williamston, NC 799-0022 **BW-3**

Greenville, NC 758-9191 Cat's Cradle Carrboro, NC (252) 967-9053 The Cellar Greenville, NC 752-4668 Chef's 505 Greenville, NC 355-7505 The Corner Greenville, NC 329-8050

What? I'm sorry I didn't catch the name...does anyone out there hear me screaming legends !?! Bill Monroe may have been the father of Bluegrass but these guys helped put it on the map. Doc Watson, a native of Deep Gap, NC mind you, has been playing Bluegrass forever...really forever. He is probably one of the most skilled musicians who is still alive...not only has he perfected the guitar and banjo among other instruments, he did so blind as a badger! David Grisman is no slouch either. The "Dawg," as he is more commonly known, has all the skills a mandolinist needs to accompany such a talent as Doc Watson. Dawg is most famous for his Garcia/Grisman project with

14. Loudmouth "Fly"

13. Gigolo Aunts "The Big Lie"

12.Harvey Danger "Save it For Later"

11.Poster Children "Accident Waiting to Happen"

10.Imperial Teen "Lipstick"

9. Michael "Gravity's Pilot"

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The Attic -Comedy Zone

April 21

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Grateful Dead frontman Jerry Garcia.

What to expect: Heaven holding a guitar

Saturday April 17 Peasant's Cafe

Cashmere Jungle Lords

At first, you might think that this band is a cross between that old Zeppelin tune and a Walt Disney movie...they are not. Think of the beach and surf music ... think "Pulp Fiction." Yeah. The Cashmere Jungle Lords are Richmond Virginia's tribute to the old "Spy Hunter" arcade game. They have been in the business for many years now and they were also the proud victors of the Battle of the Bands which entitled them to the opening spot at last year's Barefoot on the Mall. They are also no strangers to the Greenville music scene because of this spectacular feat they accomplished last year. What to expect: Crazy "Pulp Fiction" soundtrack songs where they sing oogbagooo loogamakooog or something.

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Balloon art: Not just clowning around

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DALE CITY, Va. _ Patrick Brown is ligh tning quick with his fingers. In a matter of minutes, he can transform a few nondescript rubber balloons into a rai nbow with a unicorn in the middle. As a clown, he can entertain a roomful of kids, pulling coins from ears and making Winnie the Pooh out of a han dful of orange balloons. But his skills at being the center of atte ntion were no help when he was recenly crowned king of the balloon-twisting world. The man who likes to make balloon flowers for bank tellers and we ar a green wig on the weekends was stunned.

was first in the big category. ``Clown on Unicycle" was second in the medium category. And ``Clown Car" was first in the small category.

Of 140 balloon artists from 38 states

Brown works as a mechanic for the U.S. Postal Service at Dulles Internatio nal Airport. On the weekends, he and Debbie, 41, run Noodles and Giggles Clown and Magic Company. They play birthday parties and children's fairs. But Brown hasn't always been such a balloon enthusiast. A native of Vienna, he studied physics at George Mason University. After graduating he took a job as a magic bartender at the Limelight in Georgetown. There, he met an ex-Ringling Brothers clown nicknamed ``Lima Bean," who introduced Brown to balloon twisting and sculpting. "He showed me how to make a poodle and I thought it was neat," Brown s aid. ``He had a half-bag of balloons, went out to this car and when he came back there was a roomful of poodles." Now, he doesn't go anywhere without at least a few balloons in his pockets. If a co-worker asks for a little something to brighten the day, Brown might make a funny-looking clown. If he's out in public and he sees a kid crying, Brown will whip out a few balloons and make a dog or a teddy bear. He can't help himself.

Achy-Breaky-Dooby-Doo

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) _ Why mess with a classic? **Country singer Billy Ray Cyrus** recorded the theme song from Scooby-Doo" Thursday at a Nashville recording studio for use in a direct-to-video cartoon titled Scooby-Doo and the Witch's Ghost." He said he was a longstanding fan of the mystery-solving dog of Saturday morning cartoon fame.

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There are plenty of places to hang out in Ham's, whether it's dining in front of the restaurant, checking out the "cigar room" upstairs, or drinking on the patio deck and bar out back where you can order some of Ham's own freshly brewed beer. This is the good stuff, too! Ham's brews its own beer, which has been praised for its excellent taste, in the back of the restaurant.

You've got to come in and check this place out! Drink a few, sit back, and relax in a comfortable atmosphere.



The Dale City resident stumbled throu gh a quick speech, seeming more apologetic than proud. His idol, the ren owned balloon-twisting guru Marvin Hardy, stood next to him _ a fact Brow n didn't realize until he later saw a vide otape of the evening.

"Basically, I was speechless," he said, remembering the night. ``That doesn't happen often."

and six countries, Brown was named the world's ``Top Twister."

`It was tough bringing him back to Earth," his wife, Debbie, said with a laugh.

During an interview at the couple's home, the Browns were surrounded by some of his creations.

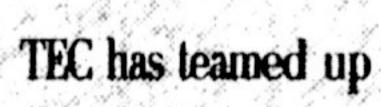
Elvis on a coat hanger. A jester's hat on top of a lamp. Sylvester the cat and Tweety Bird side by side against the wall.

After a few quick minutes, a blue dog with bulging eyes joined the crowd. Brown, wearing an apron, looked happily, almost paternally, over his crew. He can transform a few gray, red, yellow and green balloons into almost anything _ a pot overgrown with flowers, a unicorn, a teddy bear stuck in a heart. He made his wife Debbie a balloon Fred Astaire and is working on a Marilyn Monroe. "Balloons can be art," Brown said. ``I can take a simple sculpture and by ad ding detail I make it art."

`I tried to stay as close to the original as possible, and add some of my own flavor to it," said Cyrus, who became a country music star in 1992 with his No. 1 hit `` Achy Breaky Heart."

`` I probably could have done it with no practice at all, because I've been a fan so long I know the song so well already," he said.

``Scooby-Doo and the Witch's Ghost" is set for release Oct. 5.



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tracks ("Satin Sheets" comes to mind). "Frogstomp" left such big shows to fill in my mind; maybe I was expecting a little too much. Overall, "Neon "Ballroom" is a good disk that makes fans of Silverchair wet their lips in anticipation of the third album but bite their tongues at the thought of this one.



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Brown, 40, cleaned up on awards at the first international balloon-twisting co nvention at the end of February in Austin, Texas.

His sculpture ``King of the Gargoyles"

Garfield does not do Polka

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) _ Joseph Blazejewski, staunch defender of the polka, has a strong message for a certain cartoon cat named Garfield: Shame on you.

Blazejewski said recent ``Garfield" cartoons unfairly lampooned the polka, not to mention the accordion. Thursday, he took his protest to The Times Leader, a northeastern Pennsylvania newspaper that publishes the comic strip. ``The Polish people and Eastern Europeans get stepped upon, stepped upon, stepped upon and nobody says anything," said Blazejewski, also known as Accordion Joe. ``Most of those cartoons were not even funny. They were scornful, hateful." The cartoons in question appeared in the newspaper last week. In one strip, Garfield's owner Jon suggests a week-

end polka excursion. ``Single file ... exit to the left," Garfield thinks. Another cartoon has Jon making out a will and asking that his ashes be spread over his accordion. Garfield's flippant reply: ``Oh, but we'll be cremating your accordion as well." Blazejewski, 65, of Plains, said ``Garfield" creator Jim Davis has a habit of browbeating accordion players and polka music.

Davis said he happens to like polka music. Garfield, however, does not. ``The comic strip's job is to remind us that life's not so bad, and we should all learn to laugh at ourselves a bit," Davis said in a statement Thursday. ``Garfield is a fictional character who has lots of likes and dislikes." Blazejewski, a longtime accordion player who has played in numerous polka bands, also said the newspaper

should have shown more sensitivity to its audience. Northeastern Pennsylvania is home to many people of Polish and Eastern European descent.

Times Leader editor Allison Walzer said the cartoon never specifically mentioned Polish people. `The bottom line is we don't edit car-

toons," she said. "In fact, we don't look at them before publication." Blazejewski, who has played in polka

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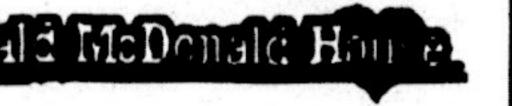
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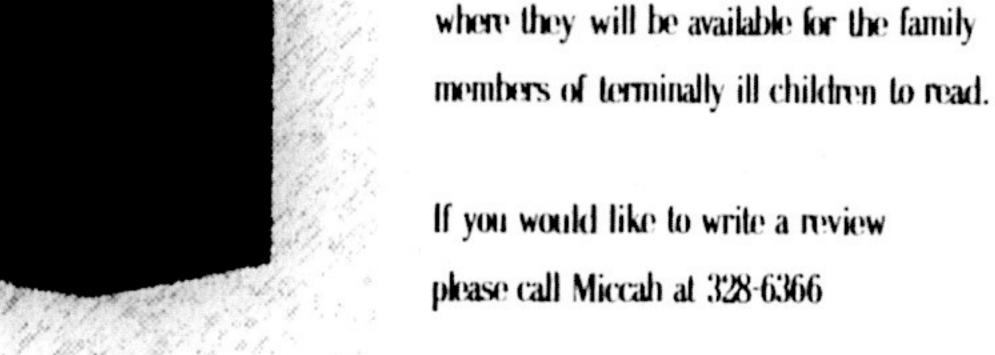
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bands for 40 years, marched outside The Times Leader building in his Polish dancing costume, while his friend Bill Kuklewicz played the accordion.

Passing motorists honked their horns in approval.

The newspaper didn't mind at all. ``It's very nice to be serenaded by the accordion," said Ms. Walzer, laughing.



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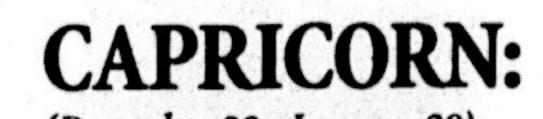


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near future, but don't let it stop you from making plans to get away on vacation. Your lover is an absolute joy



Party.com continued from page 3 what they bid on." Another up-and-coming site is called Amazon (www.amazon.com). A few years ago, this huge megasite began as an online bookstore; sort of an online Barnes and Noble, but without all those dark colors. Nowadays, Amazon is one of the leading shopping sites on the net, branching out into music and video as well as new and out-of-print books. The cool thing is that it's not just for the consumers anymore. Amazon gets its rare books from smaller used bookstores in the country.

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"You have the power to shop, check out their horoscope and maybe even find true love, all in one sitting. I hope it catches on soon," said Vance Daniels,

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(March 21-April 20)

It's time to let well enough alone. Learn to recognize when you've done all you can, and move on. Hindsight is always 20-20, so learn from mistakes and decide to do better next time. If you exercise a little patience, your rewards will be evident.

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TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Love is everywhere during the week. Either a current love is rekindled or you may be in for a new attraction. In any case, the rules have changed, and even if with an old flame, the relationship is completely new. Being around positive people will lift your spirits.

to you.

VIRGO:

(August 24 - September 23)

If you ponder over the "what if's", even more questions will arise. It's not worth putting yourself through such self criticism. What's done is done, and you can only resolve to do better next time. Your drive for per-

fection is unrealistic, for there is no such thing as perfection.

LIBRA:

(September 24 - October 23)

If there is a change in plans this week, make the best of the situation. Something very promising may come of what seems to be a missed opportunity. Your love life is getting back on track, so take the opportunity to work out details, and go slowly with your mate. (December 22 - January 20)

Your nature insists you follow the rules, but an acquaintance who is more of a free spirit, prefers spontaneity - learn from him. Don't fall into the trap of judging others, remember that you don't know what motivates and influences others to do what they do. Take a firm hand on money matters.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

Your personal brand of creativity is crying out to be let loose, allow time for this expression to take place, and don't be too attached to producing immediate masterpieces. If a problem is backing you into a corner, focus your energies on diffusing it. ECU graduate and owner of Greenville's used bookstore The Bookworm Steve Hill said that "I make more money through Amazon than I do in the store a lot of the time. When Barnes and Noble came out here, most of the other bookstores in town like the Book Potato and Book Warehouse went under. That wouldn't have happened if they got into selling online. That's where a lot of the money is." One of the newest entries to the useful website milieu is called

sophomore.

These are only a few of the tasty new sites springing up lately. There are also add-ons (or plug-ins) that can help enhance your enjoyment, such as the RealVideo player that allows browsers to watch video in real time without downloading anything. Indeed the brains have come a long way, but rest assured they aren't done yet. Microsoft CEO and richest man in the world Bill Gates said, "The best is yet to come."



GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

If the attitudes of others seem to be holding you back, it's time to be a little more self-centered in order to get yourself back into the swing of what is good for you. A little separation from others can be a good thing. Opportunities will abound, look for them.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

You have a reason to be proud of your output and quality of work this week. Work will provide you with a welcome respite from other worries. If your attitude concerning a rela-

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

Your handwork is not always noticed or appreciated by others. Whatever you do must satisfy you first - relying on others will keep you feeling disappointed. Sweet memories may cause you to look back on the past

with a sense of loss and some regret - the good old days. **SAGITTARIUS:** (November 23 - December 21)

PISCES:

(February 20 - March 20)

Keeping your feelings under wrap will create the illusion of control. If you take the risk of expressing yourself to a loved one, no one will care if you break down. It's going to hurt falling down - but you are better off jumping in, instead of watching from a distance.

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY: Your creative energies express themselves in very tangible ways. You do not build castles in the sky, but tend to put down roots and build useful things which are meant to last. Your life work will always

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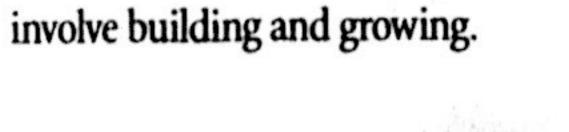
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tionship does not seem to change, you may be looking at the situation from the wrong view. Don't try so hard.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)

If you have been running yourself ragged, preventative measures may be needed to keep your health up to par. Money is likely to be tight for the It just might come to blows with a loved one during this week. Give each other time to cool off before approaching the subject in a reasonable mood. Good news about money may lighten up your mood a bit. The way you use information presented to you pleases your superiors.



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