

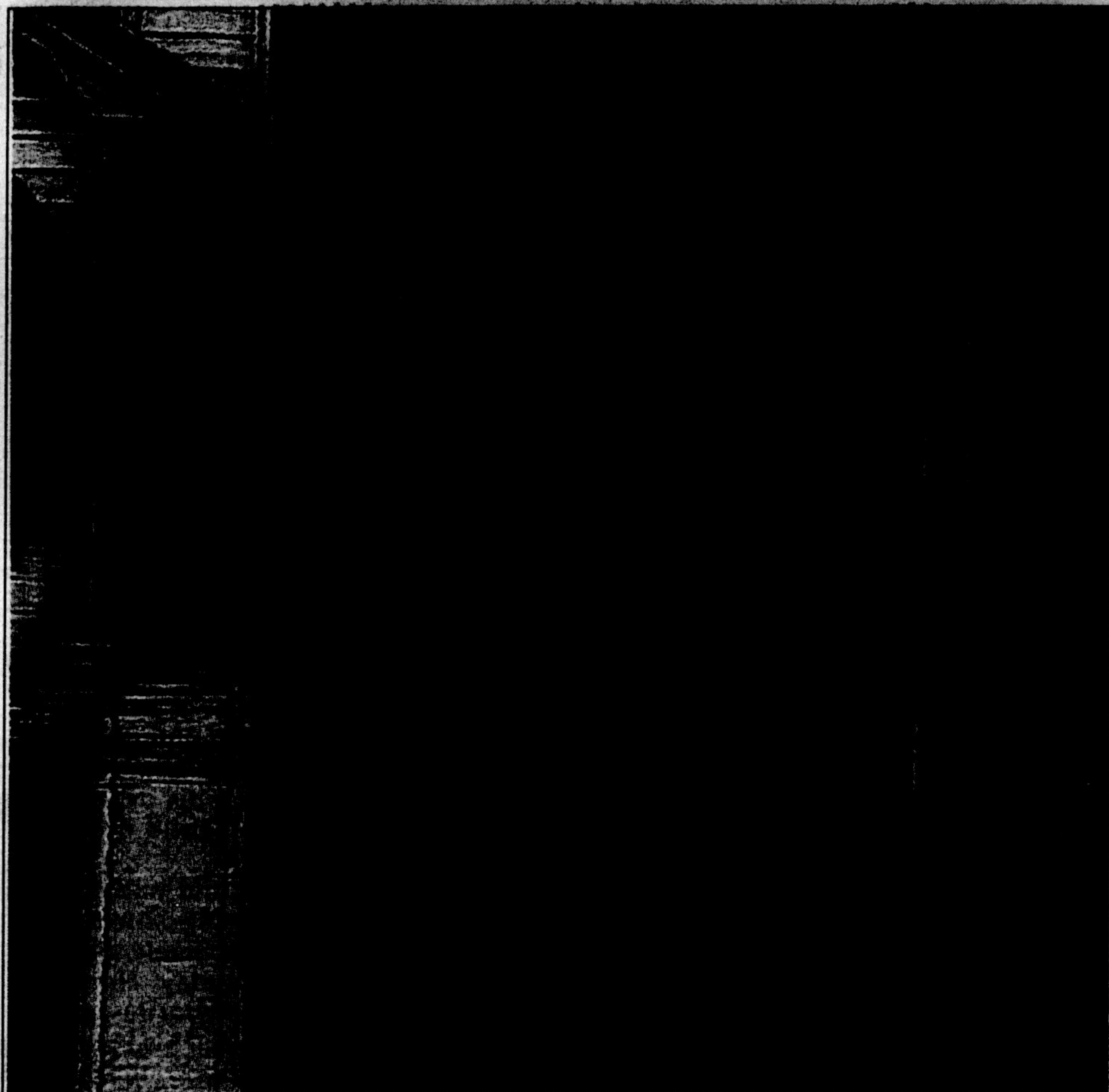
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Hurricane, flooding devastates area



Street signs such as the one above could barely be seen above the rising flood waters of the Tar River. The Tar River reached a crest of almost 30 feet, nearly 17 feet above the 13-foot flood stage, making the sign at right an ironic marker in the murky waters. Below, several large trees along 5th Street were victims of the winds of Hurricane Floyd.



*As many as 5,000 students are affected;
ECU offers assistance to keep students in school*

Now that the raging torrents of Hurricane Floyd have given way to blue skies, students must do what all survivors do—begin to clean up and move on. However many students say they expect the transition back to normal college life to be anything but simple.

The tragedy has left university officials scrambling to fend off what they fear might be a high withdrawal rate. In the aftermath of the storm, nearly 5,000 students have been left homeless, and still more are reeling from lost wages and damaged personal items.

According to Chancellor Richard Eakin, the university understands that students must struggle with finding new accommodations and roommates and replacing lost belongings all while preparing to return to class on Wednesday. He said he hopes the campus community can help devastated stu-

dents begin the process with confidence that their needs will be met.

"My major concerns are relocating students who have been displaced by the flood," Eakin said. "I speak for the entire ECU community when I say our hearts go out to them. We know they are very upset about their losses and tears will be shed. They are deserving of a time to grieve."

To ease the academic burden of the upheaval, the university has extended the period for withdrawals with 25 percent refunds until Oct. 5. The drop period has also been extended until Oct. 15 (Oct. 19 for Weekend University) to allow students to drop classes without the drop counting against them. It is hoped that measures like these, coupled with the simplicity of the revised academic calendar, will encour-

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The Salvation
Army had 31
mobile kitchens
active in 16
counties as of
last Friday in
North Carolina.
Baptist Men
groups had six
feeding opera-
tions in six
counties; the
Red Cross had
66 mobile
feeding vendors
deployed.



Video taken during the hurricane captures a tree that has fallen on a parked car while onlookers watch from outside their apartments on the second floor. (photo by Mike Edwards)

Services available to assist recovery

Students, staff offered counseling

Counseling services are available for ECU employees and their families in the aftermath of Hurricane Floyd.

Here are the counseling services that have been arranged:

WESTCAMPUS (SOM)

Counselors from the Academic Support and Counseling Center and the Employees' Assistance Program of PCMH are available in the Blue Module of the Family Practice Center at Brody for employees and their families. There will be a counselor available for drop-in visits, 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Employees can gain access to the Blue Module through the hospital entrance.

EAST CAMPUS

Counselors from the Counseling and Student Development Center

Drop-in support groups led by the Center for Counseling and Student Development will be conducted Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. and at 2:30 p.m. in Rawl 105.

are available at the Hurricane Relief Service Center at Sweethearts for employees and their families to use.

Counselors will be available from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. These services will be available as long as the Service Center is operational.

The counselors in the Center for Counseling and Student Development will work with employees as long as needed to help them get through the crisis and get back on their feet.



Workers assist students in the Flood Relief Resource Center in Todd Dining Hall.

Campus resource center established

A Flood Relief Resource Center is operational in Todd Dining Hall offering information and services to the ECU community.

The Center is open 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., daily. It is open to any ECU student or staff member. The phone number is 328-0394. If parking nearby is unavailable, use the parking lot located north of the stadium.

The Center is staffed to assist students and staff with a variety of issues including:

- Temporary, long-term housing options
- Counseling
- Health and safety info.
- Legal consultation
- Academic info.
- FEMA info.
- Emergency loan info.
- UnitedWay assistance
- Financial Aid info.
- Student Government Association loan info.
- Copiers to copy insurance documents, etc.
- Textbook replacement info. from Student Stores

ECU students and staff should bring their ECU One Card as I.D.



Aaron Child

Student found drowned at bottom of Hill

ECU Police pulled a student's body from the floodwaters at the bottom of College Hill last Wednesday.

Aaron Christopher Child, 18, was a freshman at ECU. An autopsy performed by the state medical examiner's office ruled his death an accidental drowning.

Child had been missing since approximately 2 p.m. Thursday. He was last seen at the apartment of his brother, Adam, on 8th Street.

According to his mother, Tina Child, he'd been taking a nap and his wallet and keys were left in the apartment.

His mother put up posters around town, bought an ad in *The Daily Reflector* and got Aaron's picture on local newscasts in an effort to find her son.

His body was found around 9 a.m. Wednesday with the assistance of the State Bureau of Investigation and members of the Greenville Fire/Rescue Unit.

Child was a Leland, NC. freshman who had not declared a major.



A message from the Chancellor

Dear Students:

Welcome back to ECU after an unexpected, tragic interruption. The aftermath of Hurricane Floyd is a sobering wake-up call of the fragility of our daily lives. I am sure that you join the entire university family in expressing sympathy to the family of Aaron Child, a freshman from Leland, NC, who drowned in the floodwaters of the storm.

Many of you lost a great deal in the flood. The ECU family is aware of your circumstances and committed to help you get your lives back to normal. From the first hours following the devastation we have made plans to assist you, and into the next weeks and months we will continue to be sensitive to your needs because of what this storm has imposed. The Flood Relief Resource Center in Sweetheart's Dining Room in Todd Dining Hall has been established as your one-stop center for everything from assistance in housing, to counseling services, academic concerns related to the storm, financial assistance, and business services. The hotline number at the center is 328-0394. Please use this center for your varied needs.

The semester is not lost. We have had a temporary setback. We will all be required to make adjustments. A few regular events such as fall break and the reading day before exams will have to be canceled. But, proudly, one of the reasons this semester will end on a positive note is the resilience of the ECU community. And among the great attributes of ECU students is unfailing spirit. There has never been a more compelling time than now to let your Pirate Pride show — in your sense of commitment to your best academic work, your sense of responsibility in doing whatever you can to help classmates who are in need, to be patient in trying circumstances in making the adjustments this storm has required of all of us, and to show your sense of humor when laughter can help heal a wound or bring a smile.

We are all, each one of us, forever touched by this storm. But we know what it takes to overcome tragedy and become a success. We count on you to make it happen!

Sincerely,

Richard R. Eakin

Richard R. Eakin, Chancellor

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Note: some of these numbers may change as locations of services change.

FEMA 1-800-426-9029 (for hearing impaired) 1-800-426-7585	ECU OUTPATIENT PSYCHIATRY 816-2404
F.E.M.A. DISASTER RELIEF- THIS AREA 1-800-638-6620, EXT. 407	ECU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE 816-4611 for any person needing medical attention 816-5080
RED CROSS CENTERS 752-3226 Next to Denny's 752-4455 On Memorial Drive 752-1930	DEAF SERVICES . 1-888-988-7746
RED CROSS 355-3800	"ECU-HOME" 328-4663
UNITED WAY 551-6204 (available at ECU Relief Resource Center)	STUDENT HEALTH CENTER 328-6841
EMERGENCY FOOD STAMPS 413-1101 (May apply at several locations in Pitt County, must bring photo id, proof of residence, proof of members in household including birth dates, proof of gross income of household members.)	RED CROSS PERSON LOCATOR ... 355-9037
DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 877-368-4948 (To find out about closed roads)	MENTAL HEALTH HOTLINE 830-6377
VOLUNTEERING TO HOUSE A STUDENT 328-4663	SHELTER LOCATORS
ECU FAMILY RELIEF FUND 1-888-330-6616	PITT 355-9037
TAR RIVER ESTATES 830-9494 (Office moved to Wilson Acres Club House on 1st St.)	LENOIR 523-4528
ALUMNI/PARENTS WISHING TO VOLUNTEER 328-0605	EDGEcombe 641-7916 or 641-7917 or 641-7920
STUDENTS WISHING TO VOLUNTEER 328-6432	RED CROSS SHELTERS
PEOPLE WISHING TO MAKE DONATIONS 328-6650	BETHEL ELEMENTARY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT-OLD HOSPITAL 1717 5th ST. (Tetanus shots for general public)	WELLCOME MIDDLE
COUNTY EOC 830-2500	STOKES ELEMENTARY
NATIONAL GUARD 752-5693 or 752-3997 or 752-0677 (cell)	FARMVILLE MIDDLE
CITY EOC 329-4162	AYDEN ELEMENTARY
DMV - LICENSE SECTION 830-3456	AYDEN MIDDLE
WNCT-TV 355-8542	AYDEN-GRIFTON HIGH SCHOOL
SALVATION ARMY 756-3388	LOCATIONS SERVING MEALS
COUNCIL ON AGING 752-1717	GUM SWAMP CHURCH
METHADONE 830-3426	Is serving food to non-shelter residents - in Belvoir
PITT COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH TEMPORARY SITE 830-2557	PROGRESSIVE FREE WILL BAPTIST
EMERGENCY ROOM-CMH) 752-4163	Located on Cotanche Street in Greenville. Bishop Davis' church and the telephone number is 757-3565.
	YORK MEMORIAL A.M.E. ZION
	Located on Tyson and 3rd Street in Greenville
	JOY SOUP KITCHEN
	Located on Tyson Street in Greenville. Telephone no. is 758-6077
	SYCAMORE HILL
	Will Deliver and Serve. Telephone no. is 756-4869.
	OLD FORD CHURCH OF CHRIST
	Will serve meals. Telephone no. is 946-5883 Kinston

Floyd FACTS

As of Friday,
major disaster
declarations
had been
issued for eight
states, includ-
ing Delaware,
Florida, New
Jersey, New
York, North
Carolina, South
Carolina, Penn-
sylvania and
Virginia in the
wake of Hurri-
cane Floyd.

Floyd FACTS

An estimated

40,000 to

50,000 cars

have been

damaged by

Hurricane

Floyd's flood-

waters,

according to

AAA Carolinas

motor club.

Flooding leaves 5,000 students homeless

(AP) About 5,000 of ECU's 18,000 students need to find a new place to live after flooding along the Tar River submerged sections of Greenville, including a cluster of student apartments.

"This is Third World stuff," said ECU spokesman John Durham. "It's sickening."

The university is looking for vacant apartments to house some displaced students. They also hope to find 500 to 1,000 residents willing to let students move into their homes.

Hospital uses ingenuity to keep water flowing in wake of Floyd

(AP) Eastern North Carolina's largest hospital has tapped into its rehabilitation swimming pool to keep toilets flushing and water flowing in the aftermath of Hurricane Floyd.

Fire department water trucks are sucking water in the pool and circulating it through the plumbing system at Pitt County Memorial Hospital.

"I think a flood is the worst disaster a hospital could sustain because it

affects all areas of a hospital and all parts of the infrastructure," the hospital's Dr. John Meredith said last Wednesday.

The hospital was disconnected from the city's water system on Tuesday, after nearly a week of on and off service. Flooding has crippled the city's water treatment plant. Fire trucks and water tankers have been bringing water to the rehab pool and department pumper trucks then relay the greenish water into hospital pipes.

Although the system has enabled the 731-bed hospital to continue operating, the temporary solution has created its risks.

Russell Gibbs, senior administrator of the hospital's operations department, estimates several hundred thousand gallons of water since Tuesday morning have gone into the 80,000-gallon swimming pool - described as roughly half the size of an Olympic-size pool - and then into the hospital's water system.

Anonymous donor gives \$10,000 to help flood victims

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) A member of a Columbia church has given the ECU football team \$10,000 to help victims of Floyd.



A Facilities Services worker goes up in the air to remove a downed tree from the roof of the Student Publications building.

NEWS NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED



Scenes like this were very common as parking lots and apartment complexes flooded beyond 100 year flood plain levels (photo by Emily Richardson)

Rev. Joe B. Donaho, senior Minister at Eastminster Presbyterian Church, presented the check last Wednesday to ECU coach Steve Logan.

Donaho said the money was from a single donor, who was connected to the church but did not want to be identified.

Logan said he would turn the money over to a ministry in Greenville, N.C., to help students besides those on the football team.

Hurricane will be short- term boost to NC economy

(AP) A silver lining may be hard to see in the dark cloud hovering over flood-devastated eastern North Carolina, but there is one - a one-time financial boost for one of the state's poorest regions, economic experts say.

The preliminary numbers are staggering. Losses attributed to Floyd may exceed Hurricane Fran's \$6 billion.

Agricultural losses, starting with more than 110,000 dead hogs and 1 million or more dead poultry, are expected to exceed \$1 billion, more than from Fran in 1996.

While the economic benefits of rebuilding

after a hurricane may be short-lived, the perception of eastern North Carolina as a dangerous place to conduct commerce may be difficult to shake, according to another expert.

"It's reducing the interest that the rest of the world has in the area," said William Hall, an economist at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

In the short term, southeastern North Carolina probably won't see the increases in economic activity that followed recent hurricanes, Hall said.

All of the experts agreed the biggest losers from natural disasters such as hurricanes are the poor, who live in dilapidated houses or mobile homes. Many don't have flood insurance and will rely on the government for help.

Thousands of vehicles left damaged

(AP) Across the state's flooded coastal plain, thousands of cars, trucks and tractors lie submerged in a foul stew of water, fertilizer, motor oil and other contaminants.

As many as 40,000 to 50,000 vehicles have been damaged by Hurricane Floyd's floodwa-

ters, many belonging to low-income residents without adequate insurance to replace them, AAA Carolinas motor club estimated Tuesday.

Tom Crosby of AAA Carolinas warned consumers to be on the lookout for what he called "Carolina lemons" starting next month. That's his less-than-endearing term for flood-damaged cars that could start showing up starting next month.

"In almost all cases, people are putting in insurance claims," he said. "If the car is totaled, then the title is branded from then on so that anyone buying the vehicle knows it is potentially damaged."

However, if the vehicle is not considered a total loss, the owner might not disclose it had been flooded.

"It's a gray area," he said. "Some people say if they are not specifically asked if the car was flooded, they are not obligated to disclose it."

There could be serious damage to wire harnesses, electrical components, CV joints and anti-lock brakes. He offered some solid advice to shoppers: "Before you buy any used car or a new one for sale even at a ridiculously low price, bring it to a trusted mechanic to check whether it has been flooded."

NEWS NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

15 percent of farms could be casualties

RALEIGH (AP) — State Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham estimates up to 7,000 of North Carolina's nearly 50,000 farms — or about 15 percent — could be put out of business by Hurricane Floyd's floodwaters.

While state experts expect the agricultural damage total to exceed \$1 billion, so far only 37 counties have submitted damage reports.

The flooding spared much of the year's tobacco crops, most already harvested before the storm, but about half the state's expected 872,000-acre cotton crop is feared lost, said Graham. State analysts say peanut and sweet potato crops also suffered devastating hits.

\$100,000 gift given by UNC trustee

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) UNC-Chapel Hill officials needed a Stetson by the time they passed the hat for Hurricane Floyd relief past Texas oil tycoon Walter Davis.

Trustee board members at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill meeting Thursday decided to take up a collection to help flooding victims.

A baseball cap had about \$400 inside before it got to Davis, who took out his wallet and wrote a check for \$100,000.

"Times are pretty tough," said Davis, who directed the money be used to help displaced students at East Carolina University in Greenville.

Nic Heinke, UNC-Chapel Hill's student body president, suggested taking up a col-

lection. Davis' gift brought the donated total to \$100,407, a staggering amount that Heinke still had trouble putting into words hours later.

"My mind was just a blank, just, wow," Heinke said. "He wanted to give money to the relief effort and wanted to know how it would be used, and this seemed appropriate. He's got a big heart."

Davis is a regular university benefactor. He gave \$1 million toward construction of the Dean Smith Center and \$1.4 million to a scholarship fund for students who agree to teach in poor counties in the northeastern part of the state.

ECU Chancellor Richard Eakin was shocked when he heard of Thursday's donation. The campus has been closed all week due to the flooding.

"That is such a generous act on Mr. Davis' part," Eakin said. "The students, faculty and staff who are in such great need will be very grateful indeed."

Utilities employees work in flood for days

(AP) Waterlogged and weary utility workers are being called heroes for their weeklong efforts to keep the power and water on during the worst flooding ever to hit the state.

Since the hurricane and subsequent flooding by the Tar River, Greenville, a city of 56,000, lost electricity for only 24 hours.

The substation that delivers Greenville Utilities' entire power supply went out Friday night.

General Manager Malcolm A. Green decided to use a circuit breaker outside the station, keeping the power on as long as the water stayed under the main cables, which carry 230,000 volts.

A utility worker stationed in a boat provided constant reports on the water level.

Flood waters came within 2 inches Wednesday but then went

down, so the power remained on. The substation is still under about 9 feet of water, and it is still working.

Utility employees also worked to protect equipment at the city's water and wastewater plants.

Utility workers, volunteers and jail inmates frantically stacked 25,000 sandbags to form a 6-foot wall around crucial equipment.

The city never shut off its water system, although clogged filters led to low pressure that caused thousands to be without water. By Thursday, the system was close to normal after the utility finished cleaning the pipes.

How people die in hurricanes has changed

WASHINGTON (AP) Before the era of modern warnings and evacuations, the wind-driven waves known as storm surges were the greatest killers, killing

thousands of people along coastlines.

But that has changed in recent years, hurricane forecaster Ed Rappaport reports in a study prepared for publication later this year.

Floyd is the deadliest hurricane since Agnes, 27 years ago.

And "it will again be freshwater flooding that was the cause of the majority of the deaths," said Rappaport.

Rappaport estimated that hurricanes have killed a total of about 25,000 people, mostly in storm surges.

Of 415 drownings blamed on hurricanes since 1970, a total of 292, or 71 percent, occurred in inland freshwater floods, he found.

That's a far cry from decades earlier when powerful storms often caused hundreds of deaths with storm surges.

While people are increasingly aware of the storm surge danger, they know less of the hazard of inland flooding, he said, often waiting too long to react and driving into danger.

Floyd FACTS

More than
3,460 National
Guard troops
have been
providing
transportation,
engineering,
security and
other aid.
Approximately
47 aircraft have
been flying
missions to
bring food and
water to shel-
ters and pro-
vide search
and rescue
missions.



Gayle Day, secretary for the women's basketball team, loads donations at Sam's Club. (photo by Emily Richardson)

Floyd FACTS

More than \$243

million in crop

damage and

\$90 million in

farm structural

damage had

been reported

in 23 North

Carolina coun-

ties as of last

Friday.

Deserving students may get assistance from FEMA

Washington - Individuals, families, farmers and businesses may be eligible for federal assistance if they live or own a business in a county declared a major disaster area by President Bill Clinton.

This includes Pitt and most of 65 other counties in North Carolina.

The flooding of Hurricane Floyd has caused many states to be declared federal disaster areas. For residents in those areas, one telephone call starts the process.

To apply for disaster assistance, call a special toll free telephone number. The number is 1-800-462-9029. The number for speech and hearing impaired individuals is: 1-800-462-7585.

Specially trained operators at one of FEMA's National Processing Service Centers process the applications and provide information regarding programs available and phone numbers for local offices handling related disaster programs.

The phone interview is the beginning of the application process. No decision is made about eligibility for one type of aid or other at this point.

Callers receive information and applications - not goods or cash - based on these interviews.

However, the information provided by the applicant allows the various agencies to make the necessary decisions.

The application process can be speeded up if the following information readily available:

- Name
- Current and pre-disaster address (if appropriate)
- Proof of residency
- Current telephone numbers

TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE, CALL 1-800-462-9029.

SPEECH & HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1-800-462-7585.

HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION READILY AVAILABLE:

NAME

CURRENT AND PRE-DISASTER ADDRESS (IF APPROPRIATE)

PROOF OF RESIDENCY

CURRENT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

INSURANCE COVERAGE; POLICY NO. & AGENT'S NAME

- Insurance coverage; policy number(s) and agent's name

Applicants are also urged to contact their insurance company and file necessary claims.

NOTE: Government assistance does not cover damage or losses already covered by private insurance.

Federal disaster aid does not guarantee total recovery from all disaster losses.

Assistance is limited to assisting in returning damaged or lost property to its pre-disaster condition or to meeting necessary expenses and serious needs through the following programs.

Here is some brief information about federal disaster assistance:

TEMPORARY HOUSING ASSISTANCE

The Temporary Housing Assistance Program assures that people whose homes are damaged by disasters have a safe place to live until repairs can be completed.

The type of assistance provided is determined by FEMA, based on criteria which assures that the option chosen is appropriate to the individual's need

and can be delivered quickly. The basic forms of temporary housing are rental assistance and essential home repair.

This assistance is provided if the applicant's own insurance will not provide for temporary housing assistance.

DISASTER LOANS

The Small Business Administration (SBA) can make federally-subsidized loans to repair or replace homes, personal property or businesses which sustained damages not covered by insurance. For many persons this loan program is the primary form of disaster assistance they receive.

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY GRANTS

This program, administered by the state but underwritten with 75 percent FEMA funding, can provide grants to meet disaster-related serious needs and necessary expenses not provided for by other programs, insurance or other means.

Based on guidelines provided by the Small Business Administration, FEMA makes the determination as to whether the applicant needs to apply for a loan from SBA or if they are automatically referred to the grant program.

Among needs that can be met with grant funds are housing repairs, home cleaning and sanitation, necessary household items, replacement of tools of the applicant's trade, clothing, transportation, and medical and dental expenses.

Other possible assistance includes crisis counseling, disaster unemployment assistance, and IRS tax relief.

For more information go to this website: <http://www.fema.gov/nwz99/asst919.htm>

Faculty, staff given leave provisions

**FROM THE OFFICE OF STEWART NIXON,
ASSISTANT VICE CHANCELLOR**

Due to the severity of the storm and the extensive flooding that occurred, the University has been granted the use of emergency leave for this closure. Employees will NOT have to use personal leave or make up time for the time period beginning at 2 PM Sept. 15, and runs through the end of work on Sunday, Sept. 26.

These provisions apply to all permanent employees, temporary employees and student employees who reasonably could have reported to work but were unable to do so because the University was closed. Temporary and student employees should be paid for the normal hours they would have worked had there been no emergency.

If such employees were not scheduled to work during this closure, those employees should NOT be paid.

Departments should charge leave to those employees who were away from the university on approved leave. Department representatives may use discretion when making this determination. The hurricane and the flooding could have altered employee plans. If an employee changed his or her personal plans and was available to work during all or part of the closure, then the department may pay the employee for that time without reducing the employee's leave balance.

In general, any employee who is able to return to work without endangering his or her personal safety should do so. If bona fide flooding or hazardous road conditions prevent employees from returning to work on Monday, it may be possible to extend the emergency leave provisions only for such circumstances. We will consider each of these requests individually based on documented road conditions. Any employee who can report to work beginning Monday, Sept. 27, 1999, but elects to attend to personal matters will need to charge the absence to available leave or make up the absence during the coming work week.

A number of SPA employees were deemed critical by departmental managers and supervisors and were asked to report to work while the university was closed. These critical employees will, in addition to normal pay benefits, receive a special pay allocation that is reflective of the extraordinary individual efforts expended. Representatives from the Department of Human Resources will be working with departmental representatives to process these requests as soon as possible. We will provide additional information to the department representatives and employees regarding the calculation of the pay benefit at a later date.

A number of EPA employees also were involved in the effort to make the university operational. These employees are salaried, thus the special pay provisions do not apply to them. However, we are looking at the possibility of extending special leave provisions to these employees to compensate them for the time they were required to work during this crisis.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call 328-4009.

IMPORTANT RECORDS LOST DUE TO FLOODING - A CHECKLIST FOR ECU STUDENTS

Thousands of students were forced to abandon their apartments and homes due to the tragic and extensive flooding that affected all of Eastern North Carolina. In some cases, people lost many or all of their personal belongings. While many students are understandably preoccupied looking for a place to live, there also are some issues to consider in regard to important records that may have been lost in the flood. Below are some suggestions that may be helpful.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- (1) Once your new address and phone number is established, communicate that information to the registrar's office at ECU. The University needs accurate address and phone information for each of its students and for the University student locator service.
- (2) Contact any of the businesses, some of which are listed below, which may need to know your new address.
- (3) Consider filling out a change of address form at the Post Office so mail will be forwarded to your new address.
- (4) If you anticipate that your address may change several times during the remainder of the school year, consider getting a mailbox address at the Post Office. You could share one with a friend. Or, have all your mail sent to a family member who's address is likely to be permanent for the remainder of the school year.

ECU ONE CARD, THE CLUE BOOK, AND THE UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE CATALOG

Inquire at the Flood Relief Resource Center at Sweethearts in the Todd Dining Hall. Someone there will be able to assist you.

CHECKBOOK AND RECENT BANK STATEMENTS

Ask our bank for a new checkbook with a sequence of check numbers that starts after the range of check numbers most recently used. Ask the bank if they can reproduce, preferably free of charge, some of your recent bank statements so they are available for reconciling your checking account.

CREDIT CARDS

If any of your credit cards were lost contact the issuer and ask them to send you a new one.

UTILITY BILLS

There may be unpaid utility bills, such as electric, cable, gas, phone, etc., related to your flooded former residence. Check the date that the bill stops at. Is it the date that your apartment was flooded? Or, does it extend beyond that date? Check with the respective utility company and determine what you owe. If the amount does not appear reasonable, then communicate your concern to the utility company.

ECU-RELATED RECORDS

Some students may have lost their copy of records concerning their matriculation at ECU, such as receiving credit for a course, etc. Duplicates of these records should be in the registrar's system at ECU or in the folder kept with your faculty advisor. So, you should not need to worry about this. It would be difficult for the University to generate new copies of these items. Instead, when you meet with your advisor during pre-registration this fall just confirm that everything is in order according to your best recollection.

Submitted by Douglas K. Schneider, Ph.D., CPA,
Associate Professor of Accounting

Funds being sought to provide financial aid

Those who need emergency funding in the wake of Hurricane Floyd may find some relief from the Office of Student Financial Aid and special university-provided loans and grants.

An anonymous donor has given \$10,000 which is being distributed in \$100 increments to students who have lost their homes. This \$100 grant does not have to be paid back and students can take advantage of it by visiting the Flood Relief Resource Center.

However, according to Dan Bishop, university comptroller, there might be address checks to ensure that the money is being given out to students who are truly in need.

The university will be working closely with students affected by the flood in order to find additional sources of financial assistance, according to Rosemary Stelma, director of Student Financial Aid.

Students who have already received financial aid this semester and those who don't may apply for federal and university grant and loan monies.

"We are trying to identify any funds that the university may have that can be converted into short-term loans," Stelma said. "What we're looking for is long-term, increased, loan eligibility. We're also looking at short-term, emergency loans that would have to be paid back maybe at the end of the semester, maybe into the next semester."

Applications for federal financial aid can be filed electronically in the financial aid office. Students will have an answer about their eligibility in about 72 hours. But the money can take

up to six weeks to arrive.

For this reason, the university is accepting donations and organizations such as the Student Government Association are working to make quick emergency funds available.

The SGA executive council approved \$20,000 to fund student loans which will be allotted in increments of \$50-\$200 depending on need. This will be a six-month loan to be repaid by March 31, 1999. The loans will carry surcharges from \$2-\$5.

"We are doing this to help students in the short term," said Cliff Webster, SGA president. "Hopefully it will be available to help students get back on their feet."

Students in need help must first contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and complete an application.

"There will be a process for applying for those funds just like applying for FEMA funds," said Dorothy Mueller, dean of Undergraduate Studies. "They should first call the FEMA number and go through the FEMA process of getting money that way. These are things that can get you going until financial aid money comes in."

Students who have lost wages or whose parents have been affected may be eligible for additional special grants.

"We're looking at students who are going to be negatively impacted with their income, or their parents income," Stelma said. "This helps with parents who have lost businesses or whose farms will no longer be as valuable because of the polluted water that's on them or, if there's a loss of em-

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Floyd FACTS

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Student Stores, UBE replace lost books

Hurricane Floyd has left university officials struggling to ensure not only the continuance of classes, but also many students' enrollment at ECU.

Because numerous students have been doubly hit by the storm, losing both home and school supplies such as textbooks and book bags, UBE and the ECU Student Stores are partnering to supply students with loaner books until the end of the semester. University officials hope gestures like this one will make it easier for students to recoup and complete this semester.

"We're asking students to come to the Flood Relief Resource Center, and we will reserve the books for them," said Wanda Scarborough, director of ECU Student Stores.

Students who have lost their books should visit the Student Stores table at the Flood Relief Resource Center in Todd Dining Hall. Each person applying for loaner books must fill out an application noting which location (UBE or Student Stores) they

purchased their books. A representative from the Student Stores will then pull up their schedule for verification, order the books through that organization and call the student when their materials have arrived. The books must be returned at the end of the semester or records will be tagged.

According to Scarborough, there are a small number of supplemental school supplies such as book bags, notebooks and pencils available to flood victims for free. Also, the Student Stores is in the process of contacting vendors for specialty supplies, such as art tools, to solicit donations of those items.

"We're trying to get any vendors to come through with some art supplies that they can help us out with, we have several vendors who have called and offered to help us out with various things," Scarborough said. "We will have, and UBE will have, whatever the vendors send in, including free T-shirts for those who have lost all their clothing."



The stump of a tree across the street from the Chancellor's house on 5th Street stands as a grim reminder of the devastation of Hurricane Floyd.

REVISED FALL SEMESTER 1999 CALENDAR

Changes show in boldface type.

(Actual class days: 13 Mondays, 14 Tuesdays, 16 Wednesdays, 14 Thursdays, 13 Fridays, and 13 Saturdays. Effective class days: 14 Mondays, 14 Tuesdays, 15 Wednesdays, 14 Thursdays, 14 Fridays, 13 Saturdays.)

Weekend University classes: Friday 6:30-10:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00-11:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m., and 3:30-6:30 p.m.)

Aug. 18, Wednesday	Classes begin; late registration; schedule changes
Aug. 20, Friday	Weekend University classes begin
Aug. 24, Tuesday	Last day for late registration and schedule changes (drop and add)
Aug. 25, Wednesday	Last day for schedule changes (add only); Last day for Weekend University schedule changes (drop and add)
Sept. 1, Wednesday	Last day to apply for graduation in Dec.
Sept. 3, Friday	6:30 p.m. Weekend University Labor Day holiday begins (no classes)
Sept. 6, Monday	Labor Day holiday (no classes)
Oct. 15 Friday	Last day for undergraduate students to drop term-length courses or withdraw from school without grades. Block courses may be dropped only during the first 40% of their regularly scheduled class meetings. Last day for submission of grade replacement requests.
Oct. 16, Saturday	Classes meet; Friday makeup day (classes which meet on Friday will meet on this day)
	NO Fall break
Oct. 19, Tuesday	Last day for undergraduate students to drop a Weekend University class or to withdraw from school without grades.
Nov. 8, Monday	Early registration for spring semester 2000 begins
Nov. 17, Wednesday	Last day to remove incompletes given during spring and/or summer session 1999
Nov. 24, Wednesday	Classes meet; Monday makeup day (classes which meet on Mondays will meet on this day)
Nov. 25-28	Thanksgiving break Thursday - Sunday
Nov. 29, Monday	8:00 a.m. classes resume; Last day for graduate students to drop courses without grades
Nov. 30, Tuesday	Last day to submit thesis to Graduate School for completion of degree in this term
Dec. 9, Thursday	Classes end (NO Reading day)
Dec. 10, Friday	Regular exams begin; Weekend University classes meet
Dec. 11, Saturday	Commencement; Weekend University classes end
Dec. 17-18	Weekend University exams Friday-Saturday
Dec. 18, Saturday	6:00 p.m. Exams for fall semester close; last day to submit appeals for readmission for Spring semester

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A message from the SGA president

Dear Student Pirates:

Welcome home. As we prepare to open classes on Wednesday, I want to assure each of you that you, as students, have been whole-heartily thought of throughout the entire hurricane during the past two weeks.

I have never seen an administration, such as ours, that have thought and continue to think about our students first and foremost. Your safety, health, and academic careers have been the focal point of most of the conversations that our administration has had over the past two weeks; with all student interests being the top priority.

The next few days, weeks and months are going to be tough, but as an ECU student, you must remember why you are here, and that is your education. If nothing else, this tragic incident will make you a stronger person; it has already impacted my personal life in ways that I would have never thought. When I took the office to represent each of you, I took it whole-heartily. When something like this happens, I take it personally. I have thought of nothing but you, the students, over the past two weeks.

I'd like to take this opportunity to say that if at any time, throughout this ordeal and this semester, you have any concerns or need any help with anything, please feel free to contact my office. The SGA Executive Council, including myself, is here to help you. We are YOUR representation for our campus.

Again, it is great to see so many familiar faces back on campus. Let's show our administration, faculty, staff, friends, family and the state, what strength, we as part of the ECU family, has! Good Luck!

With Pirate Pride,

Cliff Webster

Cliff Webster
Student Body President
Student Government Association
328-4726 (office) 551-3769 (home)

THE GREENVILLE WATER SUPPLY HAS BEEN TESTED AND IS UNCONTAMINATED.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO TAKE ANY PRECAUTIONS. THE WATER IS FINE TO DRINK.

Housing assistance available in different forms

As the flood waters who had no way out of town slept in the hallways of Jones Hall, the only dorm with electricity. Loss of water service midweek forced officials to find alternative housing for those left on campus including sendingsome of the students by bus to stay at NC State.

However, for as many as 5,000 students there is one essential problem—they have no home left to which to return.

Several large, student-populated apartment complexes, including Tar River Estates and Wyndham Circle, were devastated when the swollen Tar River poured over its banks and rose to a record 29.72-foot crest.

Thursday afternoon saw students navigating the waterways—formerly streets and parking lots—in canoes, desperately attempting to salvage what they could before the flood overtook their homes.

Students in campus residence halls were evacuated the Saturday after the storm. Those

who had no way out of town slept in the hallways of Jones Hall, the only dorm with electricity. Loss of water service midweek forced officials to find alternative housing for those left on campus including sendingsome of the students by bus to stay at NC State.

According to university officials, there are currently resources available to help students who lost their homes in the flood.

Manny Amaro, director of University Housing, said his department is taking on a dual role in the aftermath of the hurricane by offering assistance not only to students who are housed on campus, but to those off-campus students who were displaced by Floyd.

To combat the huge loss of student residences, the housing staff is partnering with families in the community to provide both

short-term (until the student finds other accommodations) and long-term (the remainder of the semester) housing options in the homes of volunteers.

A list of families who have volunteered to offer this service is available at the Flood Relief Resource Center in Todd Dining Hall. The list gives details about how to contact the family and the terms of their offer.

The university is working with FEMA to have trailers placed on a university-owned plot of land off of Dickinson Avenue. If the deal is completed, this could mean some students will be able to get vouchers to obtain free housing since it is based on income and need.

Students wishing to find an apartment may consult the list in the back of this issue, or pick up a copy at the Flood Relief Resource Center.

Transit changes announced

ECU Student Transit Authority has announced that on Tuesday, September 28, there will be a special on-campus shuttle running beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing until midnight. This shuttle will serve the Freshman parking lots at Allied Health, the Commuter parking lots at Minges, Mendenhall Student Center, Christenbury Gym and the top of College Hill. The shuttle will run continuously on a 15-20 minute cycle.

All bus operations will resume with the following schedule modifications starting Wednesday morning:

RED Route: The Red Route will no longer serve the Allied Health Complex (Belk and Irons Buildings).

Persons traveling between the West Campus Medical Complex and the Allied Health Complex should use the Red Route between Mendenhall Student Center and West Campus and the Gold Route between Mendenhall Student Center and the Allied Health Complex. Transfers can be made at Mendenhall at 20 minutes after the hour and 10 minutes before the hour between 7:20 a.m. and 6 p.m.

BLUE Route: The Blue Route will include the Red Cross and Salvation Army Hurricane Relief Distribution Centers as long as there is a need.

Please inform the driver of your destination as you board the

bus. The Blue Route runs Monday - Friday from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.

BROWN Route: The Brown Route will serve its entire route to the extent that the roads are opened to through traffic. Please arrive at bus stops early as the route will be shortened for a period of time due to road closures and cleanup efforts.

Anyone with questions regarding bus service and schedules is encouraged to contact us: Scott Alford, Transit Advisor (328-0254), Dean Wheeler, Transit Manager (328-4724) or check the Recorded Information Line (BUS 1) at 328-2871.

Floyd FACTS

43,411 victims

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Those included

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Floyd FACTS

North Carolina

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City limits access to flooded homes

No person will be allowed access to areas which have been flooded until the City of Greenville has inspected structures within the area to determine whether they may be safely entered, according to a news release issued by the city on Friday.

Restricted areas are indicated by barricades, crime scene tapes, posted notices, or an order of a law enforcement officer.

The city has organized 10 inspection teams to conduct these inspections.

Each inspection team will consist of 3 members of the Inspections Division, the Police Department, and the Fire Department.

The teams will start the inspections in areas where the flood waters have receded sufficiently to allow the inspections to be conducted safely. Additional areas will be inspected as they become accessible.

These inspections started last Saturday, and it is hoped that they will be completed

within 10 days.

Owners and occupants of structures within areas which have been flooded may assist the inspections by providing a key to the structures for use by the teams.

Keys may be delivered to the Office of the City Clerk located at City Hall during normal business hours. If a key is not available, then entry will be gained by an alternative method.

Upon completion of the inspections within an area and a determination that the area may be entered safely by the public, access to the areas will be allowed.

Any structure determined to be unsafe after inspection will be affixed with a notice of the dangerous character of the structure in a conspicuous place on the exterior wall of the structure.

Prior to commencing any repair to a structure, the Inspections Division should be contacted in order to secure any necessary permits.

Questions can be directed to the city officials at 329-4161.

ECU provides assistance in keeping students in school

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age students to persevere until the end of the semester.

However, officials urge students to speak with both their professors and advisors before deciding to drop classes or withdraw from school.

"We are advising students to meet with their faculty and just generally assess how we're going to finish the semester in each respective course," said Gene Owens, assistant dean of Undergraduate Studies.

"The faculty will be encouraged to be as understanding as they can while maintaining academic integrity. We want to involve the faculty, we want students involved with their academic advisors.

"We have extended the drop period for two weeks, we want them to have that time to totally assess what's going on and where they stand in the whole picture of things. We want students to have the opportunity to complete at the least, part of the semester successfully."

Students who would

like to drop classes or withdraw from school can do so by visiting the registrar's office in Whichard from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. or by going to the Flood Relief Resource Center at Sweetheart's in Todd Dining Hall from 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

"We are making every resource available so they can relocate and have assistance so they know the university is continuing to care for their needs," Eakin said.

"We must continue, we can not let this natural disaster stop the progress of our students' education."

FLOOD SAFETY INFORMATION

Here are some flood safety precautions from The American Red Cross:

DO NOT WALK THROUGH FLOWING WATER.

Drowning is the number one cause of flood deaths, mostly during flash floods. Currents can be deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. Use a pole or stick to ensure that the ground is still there before you go through an area where the water is not flowing.

DO NOT DRIVE THROUGH A FLOODED AREA.

More people drown in their cars than anywhere else. Don't drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out.

STAY AWAY FROM POWER LINES AND ELECTRICAL WIRES.

The number two flood killer after drowning is electrocution. Electrical current can travel through water. Report downed power lines to your utility company or emergency management office.

TURN OFF YOUR ELECTRICITY WHEN YOU RETURN HOME.

Follow the instructions in Step 2. Some appliances, such as television sets, keep electrical charges even after they have been unplugged. Don't use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been taken apart, cleaned, and dried.

WATCH FOR ANIMALS, ESPECIALLY SNAKES.

Small animals that have been flooded out of their homes may seek shelter in yours. Use a pole or stick to poke and turn items over and scare away small animals.

LOOK BEFORE YOU STEP.

After a flood, the ground and floors are covered with debris including broken bottles and nails. Floors and stairs that have been covered with mud can be very slippery.

BE ALERT FOR GAS LEAKS.

Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Don't smoke or use candles, lanterns, or open flames unless you know the gas has been turned off and the area has been aired out.

CLEAN EVERYTHING THAT GOT WET.

Flood waters have picked up sewage and chemicals from roads, farms, factories, and storage buildings. Spoiled food and flooded cosmetics and medicines are health hazards. When in doubt, throw the

TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF.

Recovering from a flood is a big job. It is tough on both the body and the spirit. And the effects a disaster has on you and your family may last a long time.

Financial help offered

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ployment. Some of those students will be able to do what is called a 'professional judgment' and increase their grant eligibility."

Stelma and Mueller said they want students to know that university officials are trying to be as supportive and understanding as possible. According to Stelma, part of that encouragement means recognizing in advance how difficult it might be for some students to maintain high grades in the coming months.

"We are going to do every single thing we can within the letter of the law to be as flexible and reasonable in the interpretation of academic records in terms of retaining financial aid for the 2000-2001 semester—in terms of money, in terms of where kids are with their financial aid situations and how their academic situations impact their financial aid eligibility," Stelma said. "We're going to work on a policy saying 'if you didn't do so hot, we'll take that into consideration.' That's not to encourage people to fail their classes, but to say 'I know where you are, I understand.'"

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Be careful returning to flood-damaged homes, apartments

Cleaning up a flood-ravaged home - one of the first steps toward recovery - can be a difficult and disheartening task. It can also be dangerous.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency warns residents of those areas flooded by Hurricane Floyd to be especially careful when returning to their homes.

"We urge residents returning to their homes to be particularly careful," said FEMA Director James Lee Witt. "While it's good to be home and to be able to begin clean-up, it's vital to know what risks are posed in a flood-damaged home."

Home owners should assume that anything touched by floodwater is contaminated.

Mud left by floodwater can contain chemicals from sources as varied as your garden chemicals to a neighbor's propane tank to the oven cleaner you stored in the kitchen.

In addition, homes with flood damage may have damp areas where molds, mildews and other fungal organisms thrive. And there are dangers of electrical shock and a possibility of injuring yourself with hidden sharp objects.

There is always a danger of structural instability, too, after a flood.

Before going in, carefully check to make

sure porch roofs and overhangs still have all their supports. If you see damage, a building inspector or contractor should check the building before you enter.

If you suspect a gas leak or smell gas, leave your home immediately and call the gas company from a neighbor's house.

Enter the home carefully. If the door sticks at the top, it could mean your ceiling is ready to fall.

If you force the door open, wait outside the doorway in case debris falls. Check the ceiling for signs of sagging. Wind, rain, or deep flooding may wet plaster or wallboard. It is very heavy and dangerous if it falls.

Once you are certain the house is safe to be in, make sure the electricity is turned off. Unplug appliances and lamps, remove light bulbs and remove the cover plates of wall switches and outlets that got wet.

If local building inspection code allows you to disconnect wiring from switches and outlets, do so and throw away the switches and outlets. If your building inspector says that you cannot disconnect the wiring, pull them forward, away from the wall, and leave them connected.

A combination of household bleach and soap or detergent can be used to wash down walls, floors and other contaminated areas.

This will eliminate fungal problems and their inherent dangers. Follow directions on containers and take particular note of warnings.

Remove as much mud as possible. Plan to disinfect the basement at a later date. Once you've checked the water system for leaks, hose down the inside of the house and its contents. It's best to use an attachment that sprays soap to wash and rinse the walls, floors, furniture, sockets, electrical boxes and other major items that got muddy.

Remove heating and cooling registers and ducts, then hose the ducts to prevent contamination from blowing through the ducts at a later date.

After hosing duct work, wash with a disinfectant or sanitizer that is phenolic or pine-oil based. If ducts are in slab or otherwise inaccessible, have them cleaned professionally.

Don't let floodwater sit for long. Use a mop, squeegee or wet/dry vacuum cleaner to remove standing water. Always wash your hands with soap and clean water after working in the area.

For more information, a joint publication of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the American Red Cross is available. For a free copy of "Repairing Your Flooded Home," call FEMA Publications at 1-800-480-2520.

FLOOD SURVIVAL STRATEGIES

Signs of stress

- Sleeplessness
- Loss of Appetite or over eating
- Irritability
- Overreacting to friends and family
- Rapid Heartbeat
- Sweating

Ways to take care of yourself

- Exercise regularly
- Keep regular sleep hours
- Use relaxation exercises before bedtime: music, muscle relaxation
- Keep lighting low before bedtime
- Be sure to eat regular meals through university dining or other sources
- Eat balanced meals, don't forget fruit and vegetables
- Avoid sweets, alcohol and other mood altering substances
- Talk to people about thoughts and feelings
- Pay attention to level of stress, take breaks
- Ask for help or resources when you need it
- Find others to talk with
- Express feelings through writing or physical activity

Provided by the Center for Counseling and Student Development

Help children deal with disaster

Children who experience an initial traumatic event before they are 11 years old are three times more likely to develop psychological symptoms than those who experience their first trauma as a teenager or later.

But children are able to cope better with a traumatic event if parents, friends, family, teachers and other adults support and help them.

THINGS YOU CAN DO

1. Talk with the children about how they are feeling and listen without judgment. Let them know they can have own feelings, which might be different than others. It's OK.

2. Let the children take their time to figure things out and to have their feelings. Don't rush them or pretend that they don't think or feel as they do.

3. Help them learn to use words that express their feelings, such as happy, sad, angry, mad

and scared. Just be sure the words fit their feelings - not yours.

4. Stay together as a family as much as possible.

5. Go back to former routines or develop new ones. Maintain a regular schedule for the children.

6. Reassure the children that the disaster was not their fault in any way.

7. Let them have some control, such as choosing what outfit to wear or what meal to have for dinner.

8. Help your children know that others love them and care about them by visiting, talking on the phone or writing to family members, friends and neighbors.

10. Encourage the children to give or send pictures they have drawn or things they have written.

11. Help your children regain faith in the future by helping them develop plans for activities that will take place later.

Floyd FACTS

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DRY OUT AND RELAX

Tonight (Sept. 28) in Mendenhall enjoy free bowling and billiards from 5 until 11 p.m. Two free movies will be shown in Hendrix Theatre: *Waking Ned Devine* (PG) at 7 p.m. and *A Civil Action* (PG-13) at 9 p.m.

Play F-L-O-Y-D B-I-N-G-O at 8 p.m. in the Pirate Underground and win Hurricane Cash vouchers.

The Student Recreation Center will be open today from 11 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. for students to exercise and release some stress. The center will resume normal operating hours on Wednesday, Sept. 29.

Floyd FACTS

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LISTING OF AREA APARTMENTS

ALL APARTMENTS ARE IN GREENVILLE UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN

Apartment Name and Address	Phone	Monthly Price	Lease	Bedrooms	Total Units	Furnished	Pets	Bus Access	Distance From ECU
1000 Channel Drive Winterville, NC 28590	355-8731	\$650	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	15 miles
102-B East Victoria Court	756-6209								
104 Shiloh Drive	355-8731	\$395	1 yr.	2	2	no	no	no	8 miles
109 Paris Street	(919) 736-7076	\$295-\$305	1 yr.	1/2	2	no	yes	no	1.5 miles
110 Contentnea Street	355-8731	\$275	1 yr.	2	2	no	no	yes	3 miles
114 Fletcher Place	355-8731	\$675	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	5 miles
115 & 117 Oakdale Drive	355-8731	\$450	1 yr.	2	2	no	w/fee	no	8 miles
1408 Polk Drive	355-8731	\$625	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	no	5 miles
211 North Jarvis Street	355-8731	\$750	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	yes	.5 mile
212 North Eastern Street	355-8731	\$625	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	.5 mile
212 North Sumrell Street	355-8731	\$875	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	5 miles
215 South Eastern Street	355-8731	\$750	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	no	.5 mile
2204-4 Wandsworth Drive	355-8007	\$300-\$375	9 months	1/2	-	no	w/fee	no	2.5 miles
2818 Jackson Drive	355-8731	\$500	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	yes	4 miles
304 Latham Drive	355-8731	\$190	1 yr.	2	2	no	no	yes	2 miles
402 Alice Drive	355-8731	\$485	1 yr.	2	2	no	no	no	8 miles
404 & 407 Ash Street	355-8731	\$400 to \$500	1 yr.	2/3	2	no	w/fee	yes	10 blocks
411 East 5th Street	355-8731	\$340	1 yr.	1	21	no	w/fee	no	1 block
605 Griffin Street	355-8731	\$475	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	yes	5 miles
638 Huff Road Winterville, NC 28590	355-8731	\$950	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	10 miles
903 Colonial Avenue	355-8731	\$250 no appliances	1 yr.	2	2	no	\$150 fee	no	6 miles
Alice Drive Apartments 208, 211, and 301 Alice Dr.	756-6209	\$535	1 yr.	2	7	no	w/fee	no	3.5 miles
Allenton Estates 1220 and 1224 Allen Road	756-6209	\$535	1 yr.	2	7	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Beach Street Villas Beach Street	756-1234	\$700	1 yr.	3	18	no	no	no	1.5 miles
Belvoir House Route 6 Box 320-B-8	355-8731	\$475	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	no	15 miles
Breezewood Condo Arlington Blvd.	355-8731	\$1,200 w/utilities,cable	1 month	2	1	yes	no	no	5 miles
Brookhill Townhomes 100 Tobacco Road	355-8731	\$450 to \$600	1 yr.	2 and 3	20	no	w/fee	no	10 miles
Cannon Court A-1 Luci Drive	756-6209	\$430	1 yr.	2	58	no	no	yes	1 mile
Captain's Quarters 301 East 12th Street	355-8731	\$310	1 yr.	1	27	no	w/fee	no	.25 miles
Cedar Court	355-1313	\$400	1 yr.	2	8	no	no	no	3 miles
Cedar Creek 2913, 2915, 2917 Cedar Creek	756-6209	\$335 and \$410	1 yr.	1/2	24	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Cherry Court Apartments Cherry Court Drive	752-1557	\$295 to \$415	1 yr.	1/2	126	no	no	yes	2 miles
Collindale Court 2700 Thackery Road	355-8731	\$550 to \$575	1 yr.	3	1	no	no	no	2 miles
College Town Row 1103-1209 South Evans St.	756-6209	\$430	1 yr.	2	20	no	\$150 fee	no	3 blocks
Colonial Village Independence Blvd. Emma's Place, Phillips Circle	355-8731	\$310	1 yr.	2	38	no	w/fee	no	15 miles
Cotanche St. Apartments 700 Cotanche St.	756-6209	\$285	1 yr.	1	8	no	no	no	Across st from campus

Apartment Name and Address	Phone	Monthly Price	Lease	Bedrooms	Total Units	Furnished	Pets	Bus Access	Distance From ECU
Creekside Apartments 2204 Apt. 4 Wandsworth Drive	355-8007	\$300 and \$385	1 yr.	1/2	84	no	w/fee	no	5 miles
Cypress Gardens 1401 East 10th Street	756-6209	\$345 to \$420	1 yr.	1/2	45	no	no	yes	4 blocks
Dogwood Hollow 1110 E. 10th St.	752-8900	\$475 to \$510	9/12 months	2	125	no	no	yes	.5 mile
Dresend Place 1016 Charles Street	756-1234	\$450	1 yr.	2	6	no	no	no	2 blocks
Eastbrook Apts. 204 Eastbrook Dr.	752-5100	\$400 to \$500	1 yr.	2/3	180	no	cats	yes	2 miles
English Village 1010 and 1012 Read Dr.	756-6209	\$325 and \$390	1 yr.	1/2	32	no	no	no	3 miles
Fairlane Farms Apts. 1610 Bridle Circle	355-2198	\$426 to \$646	3, 6, & 12 mths.	1/2/3	180	no	\$150 fee	yes	3.5 miles
Forest Acres 900 Heath Street	756-6209	\$285 and \$345	1 yr.	1/2	10	no	no	no	6 blocks
Fox Hollow Apts. Hollow Drive	756-6209	\$510 and \$650	1 yr.	2/3	32	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Futch House 4888 Old NC 11 Ayden, NC 28513	355-8731	\$625	1 yr.	2	1	no	w/fee	no	15 to 20 miles
Gladiclus 1333 E. 10th St.	756-6209	\$330 to \$630	1 yr.	1/2/3	27	no	cats only	no	4 blocks
Greenway Apartments 75 Clubway Drive	756-6869	\$380	1 yr.	2	128	no	yes	no	4.5 miles
Heritage Village 1909 Buxton Drive	355-8731	\$475	1 yr.	2	1	no	no	no	8 miles
Holly Street Apartments 400 South Holly Street	355-8731	\$300 to \$425	1 yr.	2	4	no	yes	no	2 blocks
Jasmine Gardens 1323 East 10th Street	756-6209	\$345 to \$420	1 yr.	1/2	18	no	cats only	yes	4 blocks
Kenilworth Townhomes 132 Oakmont Drive	355-8731	\$425	1 yr.	2	10	no	w/fee	yes	8 miles
King's Row Apartments 200 G-1 Verdant Street	752-3519	\$325 and \$395	1 yr.	1 and 2	24	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Monticello Court 500 and 504 Paladin Drive	756-6209	\$335 and \$365	1 yr.	1	30	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Oakhaven Townhomes 506 Mattox Road	355-8731	\$295	1 yr.	1	3	no	no	no	5 miles
Paladin West 401, 403, and 405 Paladin Dr.	756-6209	\$360 and \$410	1 yr.	1 and 2	28	no	\$150 fee	no	4 miles
Park Village 3005 and 3017 Adams Blvd.	756-6209	\$310 and \$375	1 yr.	1 and 2	32	no	no	no	1.5 miles
Peony Garden 1323 East 10th Street	756-6209	\$375	1 yr.	2	16	no	cats only	no	4 blocks
Peyton Circle Apartments Peyton Circle	756-6209	\$535 to \$650	1 yr.	2 and 3	24	no	yes	no	4 miles
Pinebrook Apartments 121 River Bluff Road	758-4015	\$285 and \$390	9/12 mths	1 and 2	120	no	\$200 fee	yes	2 miles
Pinehurst Apartments Mills Road Winterville, NC 28590	355-8731	\$290	1 yr.	2	20	no	no	no	15 miles
Pirate's Cove 3305 East 10th Street	752-9995	\$375	1 yr.	4	132	yes	no	no	2 miles
Players Club Apartments 1526 Charles Blvd.	321-7613	\$240 per person	1 yr.	4	144	no	no	yes	1 mile
Ridgewood Townhomes 113 Ridge Place	355-8731	\$390	1 yr.	2	14	no	w/fee	no	10 miles
River Oak 206 North Summit Street	355-8731	\$295	1 yr.	1	16	no	w/fee	no	6 blocks

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in working
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Apartment Name and Address	Phone	Monthly Price	Lease	Bedrooms	Total Units	Furnished	Pets	Bus Access	Distance From ECU
Rollinwood 40 Rolling Drive	355-8731	\$600	1 yr.	2	1	no	no	no	10 miles
Rownetree Wood 2902 Cedar Creek Road	756-6209	\$525 & \$630	1 yr.	2 & 3	8	no	yes	no	4 miles
Shenandoah Court 1130 Greenville Blvd.	756-6209	\$275	1 yr.	1	16	no	no	no	3.5 miles
Sherwin Court 3100 Sherwin Drive	756-6209	\$325 & \$400	1 yr.	2	16	no	no	no	3.5 miles
Shiloh Drive Apartments 111, 201, & 301 Shiloh Dr.	756-6209	\$410	1 yr.	2	16	no	no	no	3.5 miles
South Haven Apartments South Square Drive Winterville, NC 28590	756-6209	\$346 to \$495	1 yr.	1/2	56	no	no	no	4 miles
South Square Apartments 703-714 Patton Circle Winterville, NC 28590	756-6209	\$300 to \$386	1 yr.	1/2	165	no/yes	(cats only)	no	4 miles
Apartment Name and Address	Phone	Monthly Price	Lease	Bedrooms	Total Units	Furnished	Pets	Bus Access	Distance From ECU
Summer Place 3208C & 3210D Summer Pl. Dr.	756-6209	\$205 & \$345	1 yr.	1/2	18	no	no	no	3 miles
Summerfield Gardens 703, 705 & 805 Reed Drive	756-6209	\$300 & \$375	1 yr.	1/2	49	no	cats only	no	3 miles
Tanglewood Apartments 125 Avery Street	756-6209	\$265	1 yr.	1	16	yes	no	no	4 blocks
Third Street Apartments 800 East 3rd Street	355-8731	\$295-\$400	1 yr.	1, 2	3	no	yes	no	2 blocks
Tower Village Tower Place	758-1234	\$320-\$395	1 yr.	1, 2	24	no	no	no	5 miles
Treybrooke Apartments 701 Treybrooke Circle	830-0661	\$535 to \$610 (grad & med only)	6, 12 mths	1, 2	360	yes & no	no	yes	5 miles
Twin Oaks Townhomes 102 David Drive	355-8731	\$475-\$625	1 yr.	2, 3	12	no	no	no	5 miles
University Apartments 2901 East 5th Street	758-7436	\$325 & \$350	1 yr.	2	47	no	no	yes	1 mile
Upton Court 2701 Thackery Road	355-8731	\$515-\$625	1 yr.	2, 3	3	no	yes	no	8 miles
Washington Street Apts. 1225 South Washington St.	355-8731	\$475-\$550	1 yr.	2, 3	4	no	no	no	8 miles
Wedgewood Arms Apts. Administration Building	355-6302	\$460	1 yr.	2	100	no	no	yes	1.5 miles
Williamston House 2278 Bear Grass Road Williamston, NC 27892	355-8731	\$600	1 yr.	3	1	no	w/fee	no	30 miles
Wilmardell Apts. 1005 Elm Street	756-6209	\$285 & \$300	1 yr.	1	12	yes	no	no	3 blocks
Wilson Acres Apartments 1806 East First Street	752-0277	\$525 & \$700	1 yr.	2, 3	146	no	\$300 fee	yes	4 blocks
Windy Ridge Townhomes 102 David Drive	355-8731	\$625	1 yr.	3	2	no	w/fee	no	5 miles
Wistful Vista 601 East 11th Street	355-8731	\$425	1 yr.	2	8	no	negotiable	yes	1 block
Woodlawn Apartments 122 South Woodlawn Ave.	355-8731	\$325	1 yr.	1	4	no	yes	no	3 blocks
Wyndham Circle	756-1234	\$525-\$560	1 yr.	2/3	8	no	no	no	1.5 miles

Post-disaster health precautions must be taken



IMMUNIZATIONS

At this time, the only immunization that is being recommended by the ECU School of Medicine, Dept. of Infectious Disease, and the State Health Dept. is a Tetanus Booster. The booster is being recommended for those persons that have not been vaccinated in the past 5-10 years, have an open or healing wound, and have been exposed to flood waters. If you have been inside or have not come in contact with floodwater, you do not need this vaccine.

Tetanus shots are available at the Student Health Center FREE.

Hepatitis A is a viral infection that affects the liver causing flu like symptoms including nausea and vomiting; fever, body aches, and sometimes a yellowing of the skin called jaundice. Hepatitis A is transmitted through eating or drinking water or food contaminated by human waste. The symptoms of Hepatitis A occur between 15 and 45 days after ingesting contaminated food or water. The infection usually goes away without major medical intervention and does not cause any long term problems.

At present there is no indication for widespread immunization against Hepatitis A. If cases of Hepatitis A develop, an immunization campaign will be instituted.

If you feel you have an unusually high-risk exposure to contaminated food, water, or human waste or have any of the signs or symptoms listed above, go to the Student Health Center for evaluation.

Hepatitis B is also a viral infection that affects the liver causing

similar symptoms to Hepatitis A. Hepatitis B is transmitted by body fluids. There is minimal risk of contracting Hepatitis B from exposure to flood waters. At this time there is no indication for widespread immunization against Hepatitis B.



GASTROINTESTINAL ILLNESSES

Diarrhea is occasionally encountered after a flood. Eating spoiled or poorly refrigerated foods as well as drinking bacteria contaminated water may cause diarrhea. Dehydration from loss of body fluids can be a serious complication of diarrhea. Most simple diarrhea will resolve without treatment. Self-treatment of simple diarrhea lasting 3 days or less consists of drinking clear liquids for 24 hours followed by a bland diet and Imodium AD taken as directed on the package. Diet and self-care instructions may be obtained from the Student Health Center.

If the diarrhea is bloody, lasts more than 3 days, is associated with nausea and vomiting, or fever, come to the Student Health Center or see your private medical provider for evaluation.

Nausea and vomiting, like diarrhea, may be caused by ingesting contaminated or spoiled food. Nausea and vomiting may sometimes be controlled by taking over the counter anti-nausea medicines such as Dramamine. Ice chips and clear liquids may also be helpful. If you have uncontrolled nausea or vomiting come to the Student Health Center or see your private health care provider for evaluation.



SKIN INFECTIONS

All skin wounds exposed to flood waters are prone to infection. Signs of infection are:

- 1) Pink or red color around the wound
- 2) Warmth of the skin at the site of the wound
- 3) Yellow drainage from the wound
- 4) Odor coming from the wound

If you have any of the above signs of wound infection, come to the Student Health Center or see your private health care provider for evaluation.

As the floodwater recedes, mud will be left in its place. While the mud may seem fun to play around in, it harbors

glass, metal and other sharp objects; snakes, flies and mosquitoes; a wide variety of rash causing bacteria, and possibly hazardous chemicals (pesticides, gas, and oil). These rashes may be painful, itch, ooze and leave unattractive scarring. Obviously, it is best to stay out of the mud; but if you must be exposed, wear protective gear and wash with an antibacterial soap as soon as possible. If you develop a rash, come to the Student Health Center or see your private health care provider for evaluation.



WATER SAFETY

Until further notice, city water is considered contaminated and should not be used for the following:

- 1) Drinking
- 2) Cooking
- 3) Brushing teeth
- 4) Washing infants or small children

Water can be used for the following:

- 1) Washing dishes as long as the dishes are allowed to dry before using

REMEMBER: INFECTIOUS DISEASES ARE RARE FOLLOWING FLOODS!

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- 2) Bathing
- 3) Washing clothes - keep to a minimum to avoid adding more water to the system

To make water safe for all uses:

- 1) Use bottled water
- 2) Boil water 3-5 minutes
- 3) Add 1 tablespoon of household bleach to 5 gallons of water (16 drops or 1/2 capful per 1 gallon) and allow the water to sit 30 minutes before using.



INSECT PRECAUTIONS

Mosquitoes are common pests after floods. While contracting disease from mosquito bites is unlikely, infections can occur from scratching these itching bites. It is important to protect yourself from these biting pests by wearing a repellent (20% DEET for adults and 10% DEET for small children) throughout the day. Mosquitoes are more prone to bite at dusk and after dark, so it is very important to protect yourself during these hours. Also, wearing long sleeve shirts and pants may be helpful. Keep screens on open windows and doors.



SHAKEBITE PRECAUTIONS

There are three very poisonous snakes found in Eastern North Carolina, Rattlesnakes, Copperheads, and Water Moccasins. Rattlesnakes and Copperheads bite while swimming on top of the water but Moccasins are able to bite while on top

of the water as well as underwater. These snakes have been flooded out of their habitat and are frightened and aggressive. Snakebites can become a far too common problem after a flood. It is best not to walk through standing water or mud but if you must use a long stick to push in front of you to clear the way. Also use a stick to turn over objects and push debris out of the way.

If you receive snakebite, do:

- 1) Have someone take you to the local hospital or call 911
- 2) Take the snake with you if possible
- 3) Remain calm
- 4) Keep the bitten area/limb still
- 5) If you are more than 30 minutes away from a hospital a loose constricting band (apply above the bite) may be applied to slow the flow of venom but not cut off circulation

If you receive snakebite, do not:

- 1) Make cuts and attempt to suck out the venom
- 2) Apply ice or heat
- 3) Apply a tourniquet
- 4) Elevate the bitten limb
- 5) Try to kill the snake yourself.



GENERAL SAFETY

- 1) Be cautious around downed wires
- 2) Avoid riding jet skis and boats
- 3) Avoid standing water and mud
- 4) Avoid drinking Alcohol that might alter your judgement
- 5) Volunteer/share
- 6) Stay out of cleanup areas unless you are

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NOMINATE A HURRICANE HERO

We've established a place on our website (tec.ecu.edu) where you can nominate a Hurricane Hero – someone who you believe responded with courage and determination in fighting the effects of flooding in Greenville.

Click on the HERO button and complete the form. We'll print a list of heroes in a later edition of *The East Carolinian*.

TELL US YOUR STORY

We want to know how Hurricane Floyd affected your life. We've created a place on our website (tec.ecu.edu) where you can tell us about your Floyd feelings and experiences.

Click on the TALES button and complete the form. We'll print some of the stories we receive in later editions of *The East Carolinian*.

SUBMIT A FREE CLASSIFIED

We're offering one free classified ad in one of the two editions of *The East Carolinian* to be published next week (Sept. 28 & 30) to all students. Use this opportunity to send a personal message to others on campus.

You can submit your classified by clicking on the ADS button on our website (tec.ecu.edu) and completing the form or by coming by *The East Carolinian* office.
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