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Hispanic music and language sweep the pop culture.



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Stokes Begins Onslaught; Pirates cruise past Bearcats



## TODAY'S WEATHER

Sunny, high of 56 and a low of 31



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1999

46 days to go until 2000

## NEWS BRIEFS

The *Fountainhead*, the arts and entertainment magazine of *The East Carolinian*, is looking for a new editor. All interested applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and present a writing portfolio and a statement of intent to Holly Harris at TEC office, located on the second floor of the Student Publications Building. For more information, contact 328-6366.

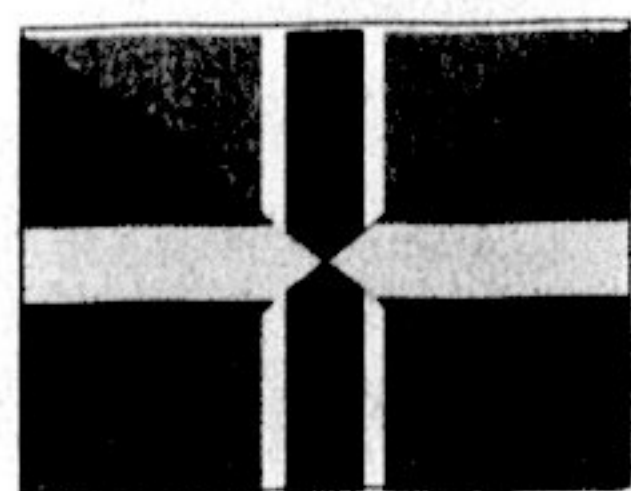
A forum, "Promoting Positive Race Relations and Cultural Sensitivity," will be held at 6 p.m. tomorrow in the Great Room of Mendenhall Student Center.



A federal health advisory panel recently urged first-year college students to consider being immunized against bacterial meningitis, an extremely rare but potentially fatal infection. However, not all health officials agree with the recommendation. Infectious disease expert Dr. Chris Ohl of the School of Medicine is not convinced that the vaccine should be recommended for all freshmen. "Because contracting meningitis is so rare, it isn't a public health event," Ohl said. "Also, the vaccine doesn't cover all the strains of meningitis."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the disease strikes nearly four of every 100,000 college freshman dormitory residents.

The department of geography, in recognition of Geography Awareness Week, will sponsor a program at 3 p.m. tomorrow in B-102 of the Brewster Building. The program will explain how the Geographic Information System (GIS) was used as an emergency management tool during Hurricane Floyd. The speaker is Phil Sullivan, a GIS specialist with Pitt County Management Information Systems.



ECU and the office of International Affairs will sponsor Nordic Night, a forum offering a glimpse into the college life experience in Sweden and Finland. Exchange students from these respective countries will be available to answer questions. Students who are interested in these countries or studying abroad are encouraged to attend. Nordic Night will take place at 4 p.m. in the International House on Thursday.

Richard Kern, a noted naturalist and travel film producer, will narrate his latest film "Exploring Wild Florida" at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. tonight in Mendenhall Student Center. The program is part of the ECU Travel-Adventure Film Series. A theme dinner will be offered at 6 p.m. For tickets and information call the Central Ticket Office at 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

The New York Woodwind Quintet will perform at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall of the School of Music. This is a ticketed event.

## ONLINE SURVEY

Do you believe in evolution?

Vote online at tec.ecu.edu

The results of last week's question:  
Did you register for classes online  
65% YES 34% NO

# Great American Smokeout held in November

American Cancer Society plays role in nationwide event

Ashley Roberts  
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The Great American Smokeout is a nationwide event that takes place the first Thursday of November every year.

"The Great American Smokeout was begun by the American Cancer Society (ACS) in 1971 in Randolph, Massachusetts," said Jane H., a Cancer Information Specialist for the ACS. "The people were asked to give up cigarettes for a day and to donate the money they would have bought cigarettes with, to a high school scholarship fund."

According to the ACS, the first national Great American Smokeout was in 1977. It has been promoted by celebrities such as Sammy Davis Jr. and Natalie Cole.

A survey in 1998 was done by the Ephilon Group Inc. on the awareness of the Great American Smokeout. Results were that 74 percent of people surveyed had heard of this event, 19 percent participated and six percent gave up cigarettes for 24 hours.

"The American Cancer Society is helping us with the Great American Smokeout by supporting us with lots of materials and handouts," said Dr. Betty Strab, associate dean of student development and director of health promotions.

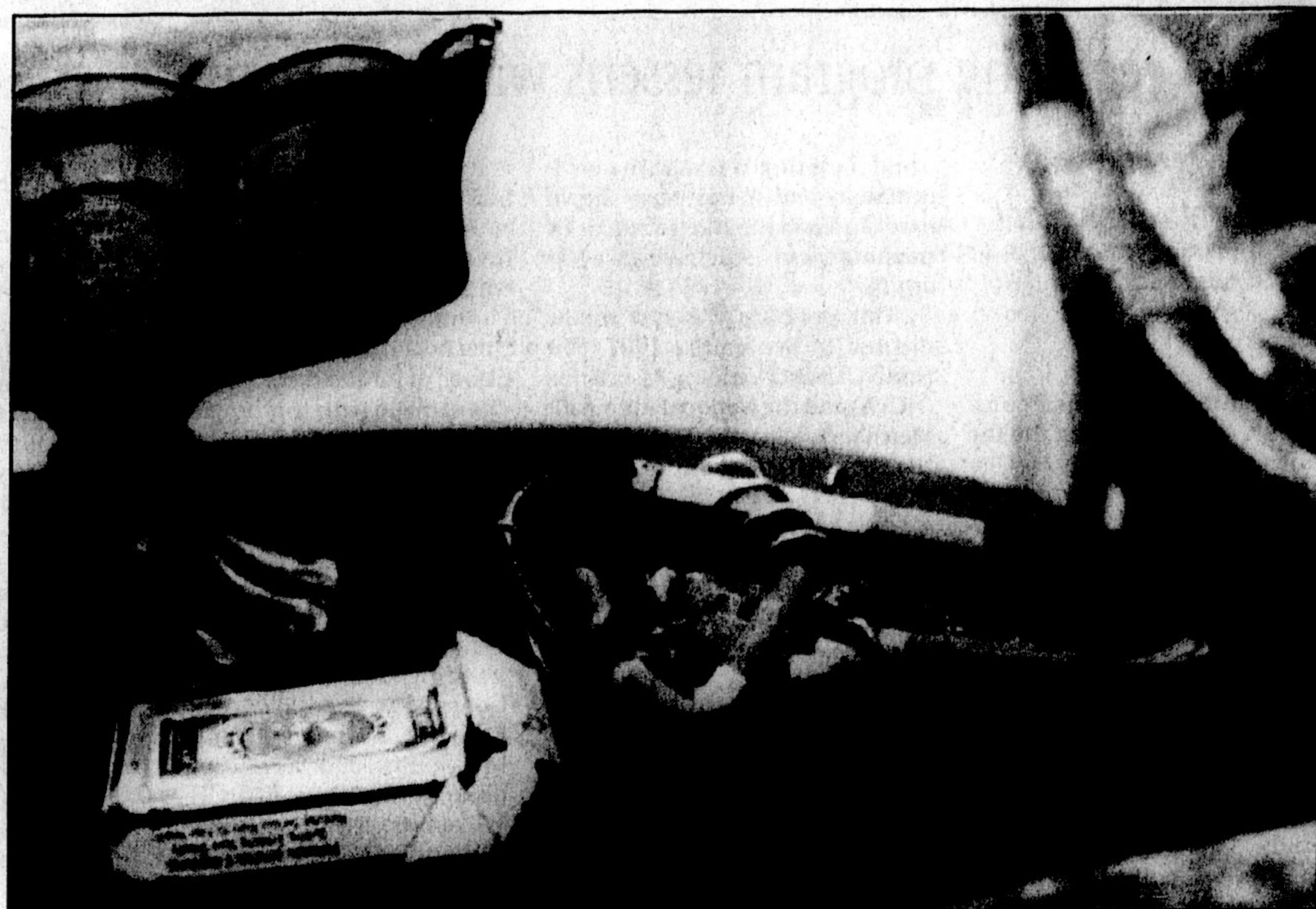
"They are a very important partner with us for the Smokeout. They are also providing us with a \$10,000 grant for this process."

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the main reasons that people smoke include to relax, to deal with anger, because they feel uncomfortable without a cigarette in their hand, it gives them a lift and it is part of an enjoyable, daily routine. Many smokers have a physiological addiction. Most smokers have found that many of these reasons apply to them.

"I think many students smoke for weight loss," Strab said. "They like the image of smoking because it seems to be a connection to drinking. Some students, when asked about their smoking habits, responded that they only smoke when they drink."

"Smoking could cause people to not be interested in dating you because you could smell or taste bad," said freshman Jessica Lassiter. "I mean, who wants to kiss something that tastes like an ash tray."

"I hear a lot of students say they light up because they are feeling anxiety," said David



Lollar, graduate student.

According to the ACS, the main effects of smoking are cancer and heart disease. Smokers who have diabetes can experience reduced circulation. Tobacco accounts for one-third of cancer deaths in the U.S. today. There is specifically increased risk in smokers in the areas of cervix, mouth, kidney and bladder cancer.

"Smoking can cause bronchitis and infezema on long-term smokers," said William Pryor, chairman of the department of comparative medicine. "Also, smoking is a cause and/or a promoter of lung cancer."

Heart disease and stroke are two other effects caused by smoking usually found in women. Last year, 34,000 women died from heart disease and 8,000 died from stroke. Each of these 42,000 deaths can be attributed to smoking.

"I think teenagers today smoke because they see that their friends are doing it," said Pryor. "They are also at an age when the adverse effects of smoking have no effect on them. They think their health will not be effected, which is not true."

When asked how much students spend on cigarettes, Strab said, "for the students who only smoke when they are drinking, I would think that they

College students at ECU and across the country face the decision to smoke or not smoke daily. The Great American Smokeout on the first Thursday of November works annually toward the goal of extinguishing the habit nationwide. (photos by Robin Vuchnich)



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## University, United Way offer financial help to flood victims

\$330,000 available for students, staff

Angela Harne  
STAFF WRITER

The United Way and ECU are entering Phase II of their flood relief plan, which includes distributing funds donated by ECU families and surrounding communities to those affected by the flood.

According to Leslie Craigle, director of Marketing, grant money is available to assist students who incurred substantial flood damage during and after Hurricane Floyd. In order to apply for this financial assistance, one must complete a "Phase II ECU Family Relief Fund-Student Application" form and provide documentation of their situation. Completed forms and documentation must be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Aid by Friday.

Workshops for students and staff took place yesterday in the Wright Place from 3-6 p.m. Another workshop will take place today in the Pat Draughon Room, 2nd Floor in the Ward Sports Medicine Building from 3-6 p.m.

According to Rose Mary Stelma, director of Financial Aid, ECU has \$330,000 left from the half million dollars donated.

"ECU has already distributed

\$170,000 from the \$100 cash gifts given out at the Todd Relief Center," Stelma said.

Stelma said that when students fill out their applications and state their needs, United Way will review each application and decide the amount that should be given.

"Amounts distributed will range from \$0 to \$2,000," Stelma said.

"Students must bring their social security number, current address and phone number, the address of their flooded/damaged residence, a copy of estimates for home repairs or replacement of contents, a copy of vehicle repairs, a copy of document showing rent or monthly mortgage amounts, a copy of document showing amount of insurance deductibles and copies of or a list identifying assistance already received such as insurance claims paid, FEMA, Red Cross, SBA Loan offered/accepted, and/or Phase I ECU financial aid grant amount," Craigle said.

If you are unable to attend workshops, applications for support from Phase II are now available in the Office of Financial Aid in the Old Cafeteria Complex and at the SGA Office in Mendenhall Student Center.

"This grant will have no impact on other financial aid already given to the student," Stelma said. "The need is based solely on need and what the stu-

dent has lost. Basic questions are on the form like 'did you own or rent your home? Was your car or possessions destroyed or damaged? Have you gotten any other assistance or applied for any?' The answers given will help determine the amount that will be granted. I recommend that students bring a letter of explanation of their losses and difficulties they have encountered or are going through now."

"We are suspecting about 100 students at the workshops," Stelma said. "We are not exactly sure who still is in need, but these workshops will help us tap into those who still need help and support."

"These workshops will be very helpful," said Laura Sweet, assistant dean of Student Life/Dean of Students. "Students will be able to ask questions, apply for grants and get needed documents copied."

According to Tonya Sanders of the United Way, grant money will be distributed sometime in December.

"At the moment I am reviewing applications I have already received," Sanders said. "So far I have received about 125 applications from staff. I think that probably around 100 students will try to get grant money ... definitely not as many that went through Todd."

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## Concerned citizens plead with university

Web warns students about melanoma

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Stephen and Gail Fine are spreading the word about the dangers and health risks of melanoma, the deadly skin cancer.

The Fines' son died at age 26 last year, and they do not want others to be at risk, but rather to be aware.

Chancellor Eakin received a letter from the Fines asking ECU to spread the word about the dangers and the growing spread of melanoma.

A Web site, <http://www.skincheck.com>, has been setup by the Fines to offer additional information about melanoma and its dangers.

The site focuses on early detection of melanoma by self-examination of the skin while the disease is still thin and curable. Here are some facts on melanoma:

1. There is a fatal gap in melanoma education. In a 1996 survey, the Center for Disease Control found that 74 percent of individuals in the 18-24 age group had little or no knowledge of melanoma.  
2. Among the 25-29 age group, melanoma is the most prevalent cancer. The inci-

dence is increasing by nearly four percent every year, faster than any other type of cancer. An average of one in every 75 students in any campus community will develop melanoma during their lives.

3. Melanoma is the easiest of all cancers to spot at the earliest stages by simple self-examination, when it is almost guaranteed curable by painless removal in a dermatologist's office. Waiting allows it to invade internally, transforming it into one of the most malignant and incurable of all cancers.

According to the Fines, information at their site is from the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD), National Cancer Institute (NCI) and other reliable sources. Both AAD and NCI have added links to the site.

"There is no request for contributions and no advertising at our site," the Fines said. "The Fund is a non-profit service organization and there is no hidden agenda."

"Our son would likely be alive today if he had received this kind of information about the disease, which is much more prevalent and serious than most people realize," the Fines said. "Please be aware."

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probably spend six dollars or less on cigarettes. For the heavier smokers, I would probably say ten dollars or more."

"I probably spend around three dollars a week on cigarettes," said Freshman Whitney Boone.

When Jane H. was asked if she smoked, she said, "I am not allowed to give out that information, but I can say that I have never known anyone of the ACS to smoke. Most everyone that works at the Cancer Information Center has had their life touched by cancer one way or another."

According to the ACS, those of you smoking "light" cigarettes who think that you cannot be affected by cancer, think again.

According to a fax from the ACS, in reality, the difference in nicotine content across cigarette types is not significant. "Light" and regular cigarettes offer similar amounts of nicotine to the smoker. Smokers who switch to "light" cigarettes, may simply smoke harder and longer on the "light" cigarettes. They do this in order to achieve the same impact and level of nicotine they would obtain from a regular cigarette.

According to 1997 data provided by the ACS, there were no significant differences in the nicotine content of full flavor, "light" or "ultra-light" cigarettes. Whether a cigarette is classified as full flavor, "light" or "ultra-light", it is likely to contain similar amounts of nicotine. For the average smoker, a "light" cigarette delivers moderate to high doses of nicotine, sufficient enough to cause and maintain heavy dependence.

"As someone who smoked for a number of years, the best thing I ever did for my health was quit,"

said Pryor. "When trying to maintain good health practices, smoking was incompatible with the things I was trying to do from a health standpoint."

According to a survey conducted by the Epsilon Group, Inc., after the ACS's 22nd annual Great American Smoke-out in 1998, smoking habits have dramatically changed since the inception of the ACS's Great American Smoke-out. Reports show the number of smokers has dropped from 54.1 million to 48 million. About 75 percent of the adult population are non-smokers.

## Pepsi recycling program lessens wildlife hazards

### ECU vending works with soft drink giant

Angela Harne  
STAFF WRITER

Despite some past complaints, Pepsi is helping the university.

Pepsi has been working with ECU in recycling six-pack carriers ever since the soft drink company became the main vendor a year ago.

According to David Santa Ana, stockroom manager of Student Stores, ECU collects the ring carriers and Pepsi does the rest of the work.

"We don't have a vendor that accepts ring carriers," Santa Ana said.

"So we collect them and Pepsi takes them to their vendors that recycle the packs. I really support this program. Even though we aren't really a part of it, since Pepsi does all of the work, it is still great ... plus it helps the wildlife and environment. Ring carriers bring many hazards to animals and the

world. Littering weakens the environment, and it has been shown that carriers have killed animals by trapping them ... their wings, necks or fins."

This program was first implemented in September 1997. The North Carolina Vending Association (NCVA) and the National Automatic Merchandising Assn. (NAMA) began the recycling program of six-pack ring carriers.

"We are very proud to be offering this program," said John Jackson, President of NCVA of Vermilion Food Services in Kinston. "It will have a positive effect on communities in NC, while proving NCVA's commitment to the environment."

The program plan was for participants to collect and store the six-pack rings that package cans of soft drinks and water. Vending distributors will pick up the boxes of six-pack rings and hold them until ITW Hi-Cone returns them to its plant in Itasca, Ill., for recycling. The used rings were to be recycled into new rings, creating a closed-loop recycling program.

"We are extremely excited to bring this program that they can use to increase their own company in-

volvement in offering our members a program that they can use to increase their own company involvement in the community, while increasing awareness of environmental issues at the same time," said Chana Alford, employee of InfoMarketing. "Everyone can win with this program."

According to Alford, distributors include VSA Inc., Greensboro and Vendor's Supply Salisbury. The operators involved are All Brands Vending Co., Asheville, Carolina Food Services Corp., Charlotte, Central Carolina Vending Corp., Biscoe, Gallins Vending Co., Winston-Salem, Golden Ray Food Services Inc., Asheville, Horse Shoe Vending, Mid-South Food Service, Aberdeen, Northwest Food Service, N. Wilkesboro, Piedmont Vending, Hickory and Vermilion Food Service in Kinston.

Alford claimed that ECU was involved in the program in 1997, but according to Santa Ana, ECU did not join until Pepsi became the primary vendor of the university.

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## SGA BRIEFS

Meeting called to order.

SGA President Cliff Webster announced that N.C. university tuitions are said to increase \$1,500 over the next five years.

ODK Honors Society had planned on bringing local elementary children who were victims of the flood to the Rec. Center. However school counselors felt that it would be a strain on the children. As a result, ODK Honors Society is sponsoring a program, "T's and Tales", which will collect books and t-shirts for local elementary schools that lost everything in the flood from now until Friday, December 3.

Tamika Morris, Robert Nicks, Armstead Galiber, Dana Butry, Amanda Murer, John Flanagan and Rebecca Rey were welcomed into the 1999 Academic Integrity Board.

Representative Christy Lynch reported that last Wednesday's SGA booth at the Wright Place was very successful and they received ten applications.

Webster announced that this Saturday, in front of Minges, there will be a ground-breaking of the new Athletic Strength and Conditioning Building.

Ade Galloway and Sarah Franklin were screened into SGA. Meeting adjourned.

## CRIME SCENE

Nov. 9

**Forged Parking Decal**—A staff member reported that a truck parked south of Belk Hall was displaying a forged parking decal. The vehicle was towed and decal was seized. The student was arrested and issued a campus appearance ticket for common law uttering of a forged decal.

**Auto Accident**—A student and non-student were involved in an auto accident when the non-student backed out of a parking space north-east of Minges and struck the student's vehicle.

**Larceny**—A student reported that her secured bike was stolen from the rack west of Umstead Hall.

**Auto Accident**—A non-student reported that he struck a parked vehicle in the lot off Clinic Drive at Brody (School of Medicine).

**Unwanted E-mail**—A student reported receiving an unwanted e-mail on her computer in Clement Hall from a subject who had previously sent such to her last year.

Nov. 10

**Larceny**—A staff member reported that someone stole a canvas top off of a recycling trailer north of Aycock Hall.

**Larceny**—A staff member reported that someone stole a Motorola radio from his desk in the Scales Field House.

**Larceny**—A student reported that 16 DVD movies and 334 compact discs were stolen from his room in Scott Hall.

Nov. 11

**Traffic Accident**—Two students reported that they were both backing out of parking spaces south of Aycock Hall when they struck each other. No charges were filed.

**Larceny**—A student reported that her bike was stolen from the rack east of Minges.

**Larceny**—A student reported that his bike was stolen from the rack southeast of Clement Hall.

Nov. 12

**Driving While License Revoked**—A non-student was arrested for DWLR after an officer observed him driving the wrong way down Reade Street.

**Driving While Impaired**—A student was arrested for DWI after an officer stopped him on College Hill Drive for erratic driving.

## Thank You!

UBE would like to thank all of our vendors who generously donated their outstanding products to students who lost their possessions in the devastating flooding in the aftermath of Hurricane Floyd. Through their generosity, UBE was able to donate thousands of items not only to students, but to families located in both Pitt and Edgecombe counties who lost almost everything that they owned.

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Religion, traditions, and lifestyles from History to  
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"Spaces good January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000 through May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2000"





## ACROSS OTHER CAMPUSES

**Duke U.**—After touting 1998-99 as a record year for minority recruitment, Duke may not have as much to brag about. Although the number of early applicants has hit a new high at 1,367, minority students comprise only 15 percent of the pool—about a 5 percent drop from last year.

Director of Undergraduate Admissions Christoph Guttentag said the final numbers may vary slightly, but it seems that the most notable decrease came in the number of Latino applicants, which fell from 53 to 30. Last year, the admissions office boasted the highest number of overall Latino applicants ever—a 10 percent jump from the year before.

Meanwhile, the numbers of Asian-American and Native-American applicants slid from 137 to 111 and from 13 to seven, respectively. Only the number of black applicants went up, from 44 to 51.

"In some sense, last year was an aberration, certainly in terms of the number of Latino applicants ...," Guttentag said. "What we're seeing is pretty typical to what we've seen in past years."

Beyond that, he could not explain the drop in the number of minority students applying for early decision.

Guttentag said he doubts the Class of 2004 will ultimately reflect the early decision pool.

"We've had very nice successes over the last several years, both for minorities applying to and matriculating at Duke," Guttentag said. "The early decision pool is always a lower percentage of students of color than the regular decision process ... I'm hesitant to draw any conclusions about minority presence in the applicant pool from the early decision group."

But Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education William Chafe said the decrease will require further analysis. "It is a surprising and disturbing drop, if it means anything over time," Chafe said. Trinity senior Rudy Spaulding, co-coordinator of Mi Gente, speculated about possible reasons for the lack of diversity in early decision pools.

"For the most part, I think only real die-hard Duke fans, like people who have family members who are Duke alumni or people with a real passion for Duke, are the only types of people who apply early," said Spaulding, who also works in the admissions office. "And unfortunately, many students of color do not fall into those categories."

Trinity senior Damani Sims, president of the Black Student Alliance, said he thinks many minority applicants need to consider financial aid when they decide where and when to apply.

"Duke University's tuition rate alone is

enough to give qualified prospective minority students second thoughts about attending such an institution ...," he said. "The early decision process locks one into matriculation to a particular school without receiving pertinent information about financial aid, [so] prospective students choose to wait and see what other schools will offer them."

**Michigan State U.**—Nine homemade bombs were found outside of Philips Residence Hall at Michigan State University last week. Three of the bombs exploded some time between Tuesday and Thursday but did not injure anyone, MSU Police Detective Tony Willis said.

Willis explained that the bombs were allegedly constructed with household chemicals in 20-ounce plastic Gatorade bottles.

A Philips resident discovered the bombs in the courtyard between Philips and the connecting Snyder Residence Hall, and a staff member then informed MSU Police of the explosives.

The police arrived at the scene early Wednesday morning with the Michigan State Police bomb squad, which operates out of Lansing. MSU Police evacuated residents living in the basement and the first floor of Philips whose rooms were adjacent to the courtyard.

Willis said police have no suspects, but he explained that MSU Police will first focus their investigation on Philips residents and expand from there.

In addition to determining what chemicals were used to make the bombs, police are attempting to identify a suspect by using fingerprints found on the bottles.

Any suspect found guilty of making the bombs could be charged with a felony offense of possession and creation of an explosive device, which carries a minimum sentence of four years in prison.

Mohamad Pedram, who lives on the second floor of Philips near the courtyard, said the bombs were "pretty loud, like gunshots."

Philips resident Ashley Dehr said the idea that the bombs were placed in the courtyard, where many students often play football, concerns her. "It doesn't make us feel safe," Dehr said. "It makes us have to be more careful."

Willis said yesterday's discovery is not connected to any prior incidents at Philips.

"This is pretty much a random incident," he said.

Willis said many reporters have been asking whether the bombs were linked to the riots that occurred in March when the MSU men's basketball team lost to Duke University in the semifinals of the NCAA men's basketball tournament. He said the incidents are not related.

"Right now, it seems to be a college prank," Willis said.

Welcome to Mendenhall Student Center

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### To Fall In Love

NOV. 18 AT 10 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATRE

*Shakespeare In Love* (R) To go or not to go? That's not the question. Just go! You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.

### To Go Down To South Park

NOV. 18-20 AT 7:30 P.M. AND NOV. 21 AT 3 P.M.

IN HENDRIX THEATRE

*South Park* (R) "Oh My God, they killed Kenny! You #@%\$#!" What more can we say? You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.

### To Do A Little Dance

NOV. 18 AT 8 P.M. IN WRIGHT AUDITORIUM

These routines may not be the ones you can use in a dance club, but they are sure amazing to watch! The Don Cossacks of Rostov, an incredible dance troupe of performers, will recreate the feel of Old Russia with their renditions of genuine folk songs and dances, along with beautiful, authentic costumes. Show your valid ECU One Card at the Central Ticket Office to get advance discount tickets. All tickets purchased at the door will be full price.

### To Jazz It Up

NOV. 19 AT 8 P.M. IN THE GREAT ROOM

Jazz at night enters its fifth year and will showcase the latest student talent from the ECU School of Music backed up with several of the music faculty. Get your free tickets (limit two per ECU One Card) by showing your valid ECU One Card at the Central Ticket Office. Better hurry...these things go quick!

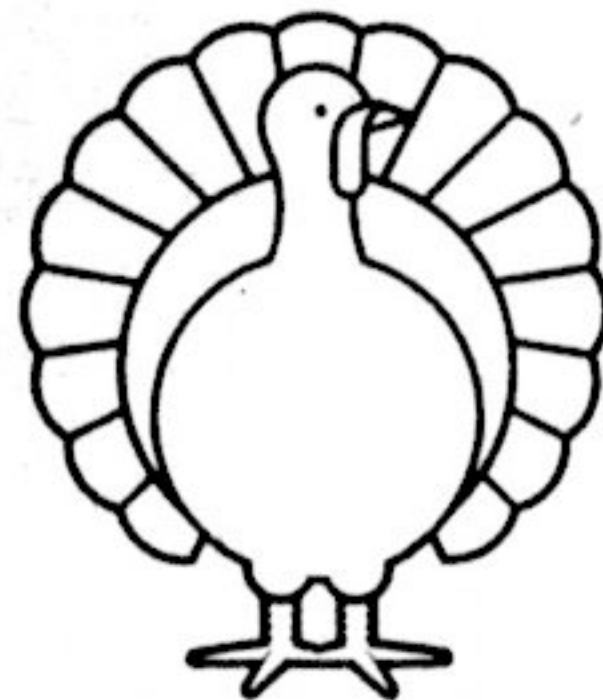
### To Win Phat CASH

NOV. 21 AT 6 P.M. IN PIRATE UNDERGROUND

You know the lingo, well now its time to BINGO. Bingo Night is fun for everyone, especially when there is cash involved. But no need to bring cash to play - Bingo Night is FREE to all ECU students with a valid ECU One Card.

### To Catch a Ride

Want to get home to fill up on Mom's big Thanksgiving feast, but don't have a ride? Don't be a turkey - check out the Ride/Rider Board at the foot of the stairs as you venture into the Pirate Underground.



Mendenhall Student Center will be closing early on Wednesday, Nov. 24 at 5 p.m. and will remain closed through Sunday, Nov. 28 for Thanksgiving Break. It will reopen at 8 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 29 with normal business hours.

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5:00 P.M., MENDENHALL

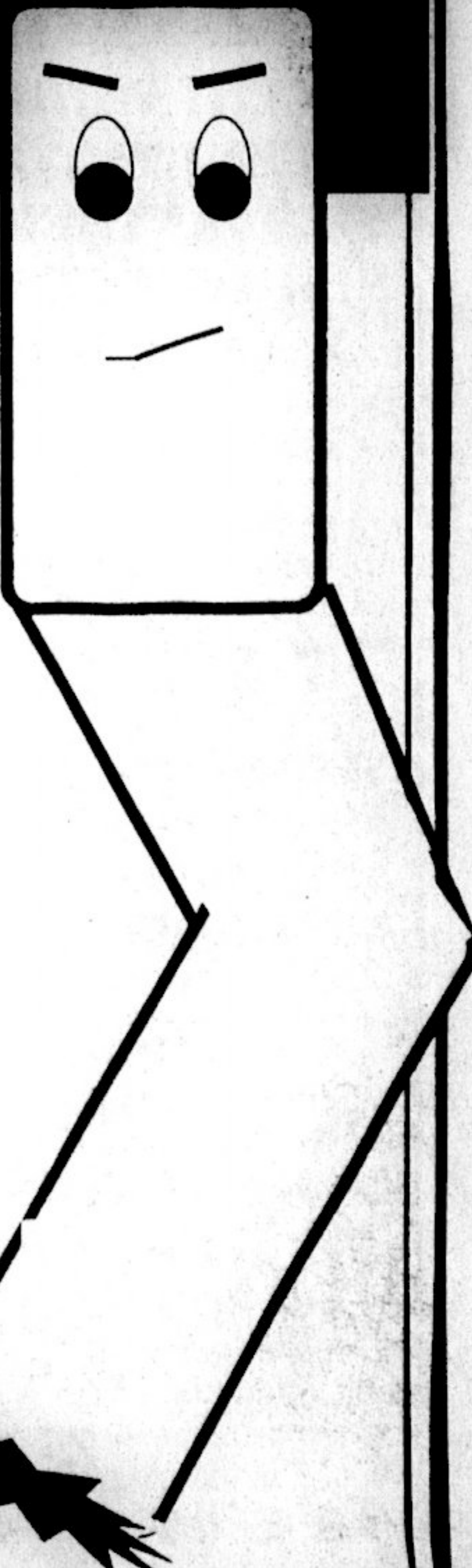
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We don't expect you to stop smoking on the spot that day, but you will receive information on how to quit and upcoming smoking cessation workshops.

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## Supreme Court deliberates over school prayer at school games

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court re-entered the emotional debate over school prayer Monday, agreeing to decide whether public schools can let students lead group invocations at high school football games.

A Galveston County, Texas, school board is asking the justices to overturn a lower court ruling that said student-led prayers over the public-address system at football games violate the constitutionally required separation of church and state.

"The school district is not causing prayer or endorsing prayer if it leaves to the student the choice of what to say," school district lawyer Lisa A. Brown said after

the nation's highest court granted review. "There's a long tradition in many states of having this pre-game ceremony of having a moment of reflection before the game begins."

But the Rev. Barry Lynn of Americans United for Separation of Church and State contended such prayers at officially sponsored school events violate the Constitution.

"The school's giving you the microphone; it will sound like an officially sanctioned religious statement, and that's what has no place at a high school football game," Lynn said.

The Supreme Court's decision, expected by late June,

could help clarify the jumbled state of the law surrounding school prayer.

The justices' last major school-prayer ruling, in 1992, barred clergy-led prayers at public school graduation ceremonies. "The Constitution forbids the state to exact religious conformity from a student as the price of attending her own high school graduation," the court said then.

The ruling was viewed by many as a strong reaffirmation of the highest court's 1962 decision banning organized, officially sponsored prayers from public schools.

But in 1993, the justices let stand a federal appeals

court ruling in a Texas case that allowed student-led prayers at graduations. That ruling, which also applies to Louisiana and Mississippi, conflicts with another federal appeals court decision barring student-led graduation prayers in nine Western states.

Monday's case comes from an area of the country where some people joke that football is almost a religion.

Four students and their parents sued the Santa Fe Independent School District in 1995, seeking to end student-led prayers over the public-address system at home football games in the Houston suburb.

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## OUR VIEW

Hurricane Floyd affected everyone at ECU. The damage wreaked by the storm and the flood that followed left many with tattered lives. Relief for those affected is still needed by many members of the staff and students. Monetary relief is available from many sources. While FEMA and other agencies have been taxed severely by victims of Floyd, other means of relief are willing to take on people that need help.

For relief, some in the ECU community can look to the university itself for help. The United Way and ECU have teamed up to form the ECU Family Relief Fund.

Phase I of the relief fund was implemented at Todd Dining Hall earlier this semester. Students were able to get immediate relief in the form of money and books to replace those the flood ruined.

Phase II will cover the more serious losses people have had to face since the water tore through the city. It will help people to get back on their feet in a more permanent manner, helping to replace major facets of life, like cars and homes.

The ECU Family Relief Fund was set up to aid those in the community affected by the hurricane. ECU families and private citizens in the Greenville area have donated over half a million dollars for the cause; \$330,000 of this is left. The money will be available to both students and staff members who were hurt by the flood.

While a large share of the relief comes from the government and other sources, the fund's money comes expressly from eastern NC.

Not many people in this region escaped Floyd's fury. If the storm did not reach them, the floods did. For North Carolinians to give this kind of money to others when they, themselves are still struggling to make ends meet is not only generous, it is heroic.

It is commendable that the university and those affected by the flood are able to turn around and give back to those who were worse off.

## OPINION COLUMN

### Fear of death controls minds

Demonsthenes  
OPINION WRITER

Christianity is the product of the fear of death. In fact, all religions are a product of the fear of death, including science. Why do you think science and religion have these constant battles over topics like evolution? We are all just trying to find out where we all started.

Religion works on the premise of belief and faith, things that allow the pious to feel secure in the knowledge of where they began and where they are heading when the party is over. The best religions, however, are the ones which allow a certain amount of flexibility in thought and acknowledge the fact that there is no right answer. These are mostly eastern beliefs since the hypocritical western ideal of worship leaves little room for flexibility.

Science views death and says, "Hey, I'm gonna beat you." The constant drive in this brave new world to perfect the human body and make it last forever makes me sick. Stop worrying about how to make your life longer and start worrying about how to make every infinitesimally small moment you have in this para-

dise meaningful.

The biggest problem with science, and the reason for its battle with immortality, is that it tells you that when you die the chemicals in your body just stop working and you simply decay back to the basic elements from which you were made. There is no notion of afterlife because the afterlife cannot be measured. This explanation, as a rule, does not make people fundamentally happier and thus people fear death.

In this universe, everything comes back onto itself. It must do so in order to create an absolute balance. There is no love without hate, there is no health without illness and there is no life without death. Death is the culmination of a life lived and should be embraced as a part of the natural order of events.

Whether you believe in reincarnation, heaven and hell or the universal mind fire, just know that you have to believe and know that you cannot fear death. Hope, love and passion are the only things which make this life worthwhile so revel in their luminescence while you can and do not fear, until we meet again.

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## OPINION COLUMN

### Joyner Library still inadequate

Marville Sullivan  
OPINION WRITER

ECU possesses many attributes. We have a great recreation facility, a fairly centralized campus and a convenient location. There is one thing, though, that is severely inadequate—our library.

Admittedly, the remodeled Joyner Library is very nice looking, but the outside appearance is not the problem. In the first place, most universities the size of ECU have more than one general library on campus.

While it is strange that one of the largest universities in the state has only one library (music and medical libraries aside), it is absolutely appalling that ECU's sole library is not open 24 hours a day. For example, it is embarrassing that the library closes at 8 p.m. on Fridays. To be sure, there isn't a mad dash to the books on Friday evening for most, but out of 18,000 students, there is probably enough of a demand to keep the place open.

If you can get over the fact that hours are insane, it's almost impossible to overcome the perils of coming and leaving there. Of course, there are only about eight metered parking places to fight over if you do not live on campus. You could walk to and from the library, but at night, the lighting is so bad around the mall and the back area, that it really has the potential to be quite dangerous. It's hard enough to motivate yourself to actually go, but to have to worry about parking and dangerous unlighted areas too? That's really asking too much.

As if the situation isn't bad enough, then there is the actual quality of our library with which to contend. Honestly, there is not an incredible amount of

books, reference material or anything relative to what this university should have to offer. The library seems huge and filled with books, but that's mainly because it's laid out very poorly. Basically, it's an illusion—the material is either scarce or non-existent.

Then, to add insult to injury, students are soon going to be required to pay for each page they print out. Last time I checked, that should fall under "student fees." Here is an idea: Why doesn't the university take the ridiculous Sonic Plaza—with the sounds, the waterfall, the steam and the midnight jack-in-the-box—and cash it in for some books and paper? You know, the stuff that we are at this university for anyway.

I know that ECU isn't the academic center of the country, but that doesn't mean that the one general library that is here should have limited hours, limited access and even more limited resources. There is no excuse for it because the funds are definitely available, or the Sonic Plaza wouldn't exist.

The library is a fundamental aspect of any university. Joyner Library's inadequacy is a hard-and-fast indicator of the general academic climate at this university.

Improving the overall academic image of this school is presently an administrative goal. To accomplish this, upgrading the library by increasing hours, accesses and resources is a step in the right direction in order to be taken seriously in the future. The present condition just serves to discourage students' frequent use of a place that is designed to enhance the overall academic experience.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Not all student politicians out for money

Dear Editor,

I was quite disturbed to read the letter from Dustin Bennett in the 11/11/99 edition of TEC. I agree with Mr. Bennett on points that SGA is "an extracurricular activity and a service," but I felt like he was implying that many collegiate politicians take Mr. Webster's view that the job of president does not yield enough pay.

I understand that "... \$400 is nearly a month's salary for many students who are working too hard to even think about extracurricular activities like SGA." Many members of the ECU community must work in order to supplement their college education and I commend these individuals, as this is a very difficult life to lead. Again, however, I want the university to know that not ALL campus leaders are only "in it" for the

money. If elected as SGA president (something I have wanted to do for nearly two years), I would love to serve my constituents taking the altruistic attitude that I have.

I feel that politics is a field in which each person has a different mentality toward his or her office. Mr. Webster has a certain mentality—one with which some ECU students disagree. I encourage ALL 18,200 of ECU's students to vote in the next election and then, maybe, someone would be representing you with whom you would not find fault.

Michael C. Aho  
Sophomore  
Special education

## OPINION COLUMN

### Pokemon takes over American market

Ryan Kennemur  
OPINION WRITER

Don't attempt to adjust your television screens, kiddies. The color and contrast are both at the optimal levels. That yellow blob with the lightning bolt tail that screams random Japanese words is supposed to be there ... and the worst thing is, it doesn't look like it's going anywhere soon.

Pokemon, or "pocket monster," has been taking the country by storm for the past year and a half. The idea is that these little monsters are found in egg form, then hatched and trained to fight other Pokemon, all the while mutating into super monsters that are unbeatable. To children, this entire concept appears to be incredibly addictive. To me, it seems like the most explosive and ingenious idea in the past 20 years.

The Japanese have continually beaten the collective snot out of America in the children entertainment industry over the past 15 years. Think about it. What have the Japanese given us, toy-wise? Those little keychain babies that die, Furby's, and basically every video game system on the market all come to mind. And what do we have to combat these imported wonders? Can you say Milton Bradley?

Indeed, the Japanese have a "Monopoly" over our "Sorry" children's entertainment, and it "Boggles" the mind why we never want to take a "Risk" and make something worth the "Toys backward R Us" shelves, but I guess that's just "Life."

Nintendo of America (motto: Squash you like bug) has really gotten a hold of a good thing with this whole Pokemon phenomenon. It seems to have more staying power than "Tickle-Me-Elmo," "Tickle-Me-Cookie Monster," and "Stay-the-Hell-Away-From-Me-Oscar the Grouch."

First came the Gameboy game, which is its top selling game of all time after just over a year of release. The game actually does some good things according to some studies. It teaches kids good decision making skills and hand-eye coordination. And instead of killing your opposing monster, you merely stun them. It's like violence with just one calorie.

On the other hand, those guys overseas are not into teaching our kids right from wrong. Not when it's their pockets that are desperately in need of precious, precious yen. They introduced the game in two different versions, red and blue (with another coming soon). The only difference between the two games is that they have different monsters to fight,

but the layout of the game and characters remain the same. So instead of buying one game for little Timmy, we have to buy them the same game twice. Genius.

Next comes the card game. Oh God, the card game. I worked at a summer camp last year and let me tell you something. Kids would rather resort to capital punishment than have their Pokemon cards taken away. The idea of the game is based on all the other trendy "Magic-ish" card games out there where you are pitted against an opponent with a deck of cards with random monsters on it. If your card is stronger, then you win their cards. This teaches children a good lesson in gambling, I think. But then again, who cares when you can just get your parents to buy more at the dime store?

There's also marketing galore that crosses over to just about every facet of our daily life. After doing nondescript Pokemon things. All of this in conjunction with the daily cartoon show and the movie that brought in more than \$30 million last weekend alone—classifies a phenomenon in my book. My best advice: move to Singapore. They'd cane those critters quicker than you could say Pikachu.

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## OPINION COLUMN

### Bad people make good seem even better

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I believe that a vast majority of people in the world fall under two categories—the good and the bad. It seems that for each good person we meet there are always at least two bad ones. I'm not sure why this is.

Maybe it's someone's way of making us keep our feet on the ground and not be too trusting of others, like a defense mechanism of sorts. Perhaps, it's just that there are so few of the good ones around anymore.

I guess that all of those bad people make you realize how truly lucky you are to know some genuinely nice people—for instance, when you wait on those people in a restaurant cheap enough to leave \$1 tip on a \$30 meal. Yes, those people really do exist and some of them are probably reading this right now.

You see, that table makes you appreciate those that leave you \$10 after their \$30 meal even more. No, I'm not going to complain about cheap people or lousy tipsters; instead I'm going to thank the numerous bad,

cheap, mean, rude, demeaning dregs of society.

First, I'd like to thank the noisy people who live downstairs from me. I appreciate the way you blare what you call music when I have a big Spanish four exam the next morning. Also, I really love those nights when you make it your mission to not let me get a restful, undisturbed night of sleep. If it was not for you guys, I wouldn't be half as grateful as I am for the quiet next-door neighbors. You have made me aware of the fact that one can actually function on two hours of sleep.

I am indebted to the rude cashiers at a major discount store chain (I won't name any names but it's the one with the grocery store). On days when I have no choice I have to go in and wait two years in line only to have someone feel it's part of their job to act as though helping any customer is far worse than sliding down razor blades into a pool of iodine. If it were not for your "friendly" personalities any past, pleasant shopping experiences anywhere wouldn't have been quite as pleasurable.

An even bigger note of thanks for what you did on those days when I

would have seen nuclear annihilation as the perfect ending to a less than perfect day.

A much overdue note of recognition goes to any rude professor or teacher I have had through my never-ending education. All of you make weekends and holidays some of the greatest times on earth. For your unforgiving attendance policies, and the fact that you dropped my grade a letter because I was on my deathbed—thanks. Also, the way you embarrassed me in front of the class when I got the answer wrong made me thoroughly enjoy your class and teaching style. It's teachers like you who make me truly adore those who are flexible and will cut me just a little slack.

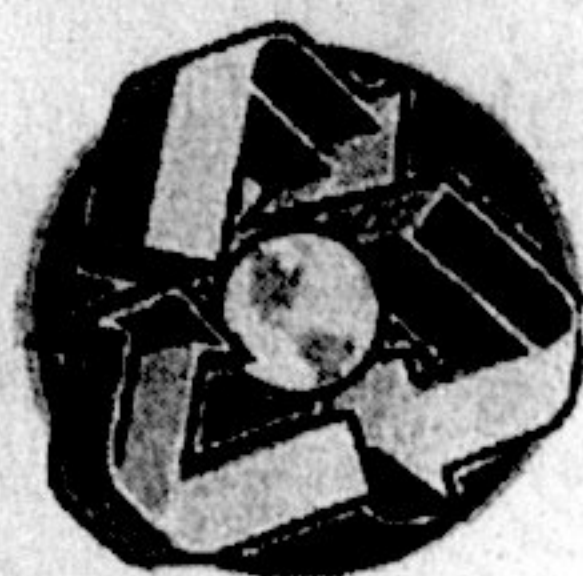
Someone once said, "Little friends may prove great friends." That person was so right in their thinking. I imagine he knew a few genuinely caring people with no ulterior motives. Any of you mentioned have affected a part of my life more than you realize. To those I forgot, I'm sure there's someone out there who would like to thank you for something.

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## FEATURES BRIEFS

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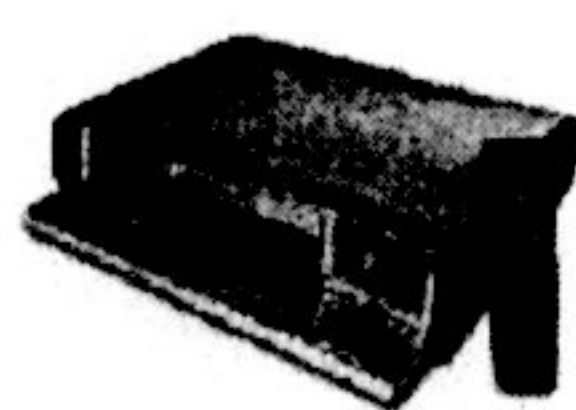
•With each cycle, a washing machine uses 30-60 gallons of water. To conserve water, wait to wash until you have a full load.



•Paper cups are often wax-coated which reduces their biodegradability. Paper products make up over 40 percent of America's municipal solid waste. It's best if one uses reusable cups, dishes and flatware.



•The manufacturing of a disposable battery uses 50 times as much energy as the battery will produce. Use recycled and rechargeable batteries. This will also reduce the amount of toxic chemicals in our landfills.



•Most home electronics waste electricity, even when turned off. VCRs, for instance, use up to 13 watts when turned off. One suggestion to decrease this number is to purchase "Energy Star" products, which use under four watts when turned off.



•Refrigerators are the second biggest energy user in one's home. By keeping the fridge and freezer full, less cold air will escape when the door is opened.



•The commercialized aspect of Christmas has turned this season into a time of enormous waste. Try alternatives to store-bought wrapping paper, like the Sunday comics. Also reuse cookie jars, baskets and festive food containers.

•100 million trees are cut each year to make junk mail. The average American uses over 740 pounds of paper products each year. To remove yourself from mailing lists, mail your name, home address and signature in a letter or on a postcard to: Mail Preference Services, Direct Marketing Association, P.O. Box 9008 Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008

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# Choo teaches both cultural, academic lessons

Students test scores improve  
because of tutor's dedication

Blaine J. Denius  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Free time is not something Helen Choo has a lot of, but what she does with that free time is changing Pitt County.

Choo is a straight A, pre-med honor student at ECU. Despite all of the homework and studying required for her major, as well as running her own business, Choo still finds time to do what she loves—volunteering.

Choo spends most of her afternoons sharing her time, knowledge and heart with the students of South Greenville Elementary School. She commutes to her morning classes, then to South Greenville and back to



From right—Helen Choo, Monica Barrett and Sha-be Hood study hard together. (Photo contributed by Blaine Denius)

campus for her night classes. "Volunteering is great because I learn from the kids," Choo said. "They teach me patience, confidence and I am more organized. Every day is worth looking forward to."

Her first days as a volunteer tutor were not easy. Many of the students had never met an Asian-American. The children asked why she looked different and spoke with a strange accent. Nicknames followed one after another, but Choo was determined. She patiently answered the students' questions and worked to enlighten them on the rich ethnic and racial diversity in the US today.

"[The students] made fun of me and asked if I was Italian, Mexican or Chinese, and they thought that the Chinese ate cats," Choo said. "Living in a high-tech society, it's sad that some children are not exposed to anyone but their neighbors and have never had a cultural experience."

An average day at South Greenville finds the children greeting Choo with hugs and thanking her for helping them learn a new word or math problem. Her cultural differences are insignificant now. What is most important to the children is when Choo will be coming back.

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## HISPANIC CULTURE ADDS FLAVOR TO LIFE

Latin rhythms, Spanish  
speakers more prevalent

Nina M. Dry  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

America is considered a melting pot for different cultures. As Americans, we are the product of the customs and traditions we have been exposed to over the years. The Hispanic heritage is one culture a number of individuals call their own, and it is captivating many Americans through the mediums of media, authentic cuisine, culture and language.

Over the years, more people from Hispanic descent have been coming to the States, bringing with them the "flavor" of their respective countries. Americans can find a restaurant and dine on authentic Spanish cuisine easily, or turn on the radio and hear traditionally Latin beats from artists who, at many times, are not Hispanic.

According to Dr. Dale Knickerbocker, an associate Spanish professor, Latin sounds have been present in some of the music we have been listening to for many years.

"Many years ago, Anglo musicians incorporated Spanish rhythms [into their own music], allowing the Latinos to come forth with their music," Knickerbocker said.

Since we have already had a taste of these rhythms, it's not so far-fetched to love the sounds that are being produced by today's popular Hispanic artists such as Big Punisher, Jennifer Lopez, Marc Anthony, Selena, Fat Joe and Enrique Iglesias.

### TOP 5 NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME IN THE US IN 1990

SPANISH	17,345,064
FRENCH	1,930,404
GERMAN	1,547,987
ITALIAN	1,308,648
CHINESE	1,219,462



ECU graduate Jeff Hill speaks Spanish fluently with amigo Raul Morales. (photo by Robin Vuchnich)

Although these artists have their own individual music style, each has successfully incorporated the sounds of their heritage into their music.

A number of consumer products are equipped with instructions and warnings to accommodate both English and Spanish speakers, while businesses announce their bilingualism with signs stating "se habla español" (we speak Spanish).

According to Knickerbocker, more businesses will hire bilingual employees in order to attract more Hispanic clientele.

One prime example of the need for a bigger Spanish-speaking work force occurred during Hurricane Floyd.

"A lot of the staff and faculty spent time during the flood with [the American] Red Cross as interpreters," Knickerbocker said.

Students are making an effort to learn more about the language and the culture. According to senior Quintin Gilfus, the Spanish language is so smooth it captivated him, making him want to learn more about it. He found it to be a very relaxed culture.

"The Spanish culture is accepting and open to people from other cultures," Gilfus said. "And once you learn the language you can use it right away because of the growing population here."

Here in Greenville, the Hispanic population has grown over the years. According to Knickerbocker, there has been a surge in the Hispanic population over the last two years he has been in the

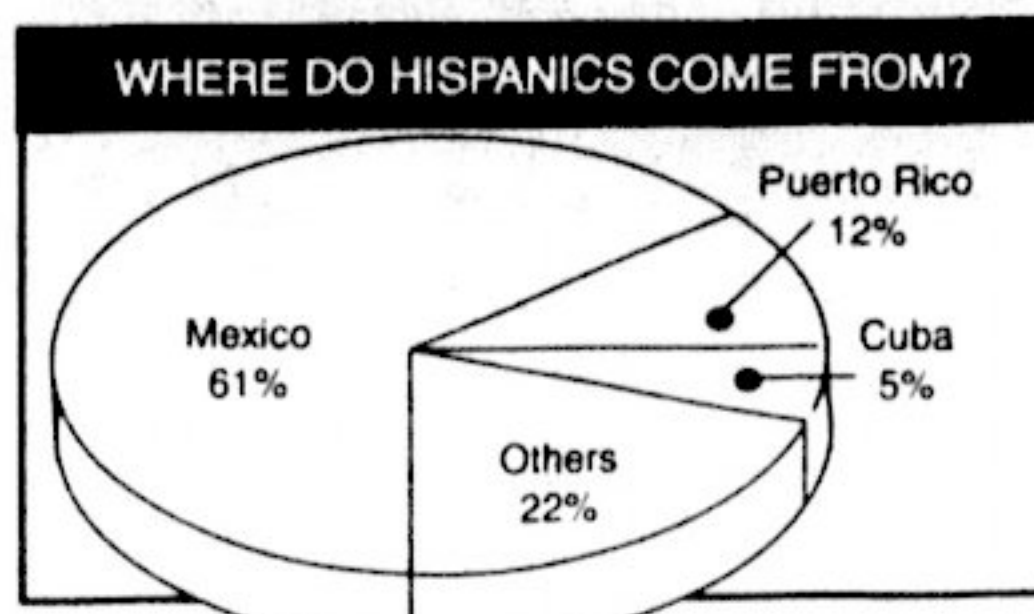
Greenville area.

Senior and Greenville resident Danielle Custis believes that the change in population has occurred because of the growing number of Hispanics who have made a permanent home here.

"When I first moved to Greenville, I would see a seasonal influx in the Hispanic population, but now I see more residents of Spanish descent," Custis said. With this increase of Hispanics right here in the area, there are many advantages to being bilingual.

"You are in demand job wise because people need to service that particular population," Custis said. "If you have the language skills, you are more readily marketable."

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## Research team measures flood's psychological effects on students

NDSU team's findings  
assists victims

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Although almost a month has gone by since Hurricane Floyd bulldozed through Greenville, the effects of the storm are still being felt by many people in North Carolina.

With all the trauma that has occurred lately, many people from all over the country have been doing what they can to assist North Carolina residents. Recently, a hurricane research team from North Dakota State University visited ECU to offer testing and treatment in post-disaster adjustment.

Clinical psychologist and North Dakota State University psychology professor, Dr. Kit O'Neill, headed the research with the assistance of two second-year graduate students. Their interest in this particular type of research came from dealing with a situation like the flood damage caused by Floyd.

"North Dakota had a major flood in 1997," said O'Neill. "When we heard about Floyd, we were interested in helping here."

According to O'Neill, they took the knowledge gained from the '97 flood and created this test a year ago. Their research was funded by the Natural Hazard Institute Quick Response Program. The destruction caused by Floyd posed an opportu-



The research team from North Dakota State University works to gather and analyze results. (Photo by Nina Dry)

nity to put this testing treatment to good use.

"The group initiated the contact," said ECU psychology professor and collaborator Dr. Susan McCommon. "Once they heard about the flood, they wanted to help."

During this testing, the group was looking for factors related to post-disaster adjustments. One part of the testing included collecting information from people.

"We provided them with activities designed to assist them with recovery from the flood," O'Neill said.

For example, the team had the participants fill out questionnaires and write about flood related experiences and how they are recovering.

"This has been beneficial for

people who are recovering from disasters," O'Neill said.

Another part of the testing dealt with saliva samples that were taken. According to O'Neill, this is done in order to measure the amount of cortisol, a stress-related hormone, that is in a person's system.

Along with the research team and McCommon, ECU psychology graduate student Crystal L. Williamson has been assisting with the testing.

"I gained a lot of experience with these experiments," Williamson said. "It gave people the chance to communicate their experiences through the flood."

The research team has taken their samples in order to continue their testing and will do follow-ups with the participants in about a

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## Reviving Ophelia delves into adolescents' world

Young women's  
perfectionism dictates lifestyle

Ryan Kennemur  
SENIOR WRITER

Junior high is often a difficult time in a person's life, and according to many who have experienced it, life wasn't fair, parents didn't understand and peer pressure was everywhere you turned. According to Mary Pipher, author of "Reviving Ophelia: Saving the Selves of Adolescent Girls," young women may have it much worse.

Young women's difficulties with developing their truth, and this leads to more problems in the future. Instead of getting their values from parents and elders, they get them from magazines and peers that tell them how to dress, how much to weigh, how to talk and tell them to be sexually active at an early age.

Pipher reports around five case studies per topic, naming them after the girl's first name and age. Her topics range from drug and alcohol abuse to rape; from divorce to clothing choices and from depression to eating disorders. All of these things contribute to what she calls "girl poisoning," the idea that the environment and society turn young women into overdependent and self-absorbed adults.

The most interesting thing about the book is the fact that Pipher brings her own experiences from her youth into the studies, so the reader really gets an idea of how things have changed. Also, she includes stories about her own daughter to show that even experts in the field, have trouble with the unpredictable behavior



Reviving Ophelia tells the truth. (Photo from the World Wide Web)

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ing back to see them again.

"I don't just teach the course work, but also values and I try to give them hope," Choo said. "I tell them they can be anything they want to be and to believe in themselves. This is a very challenging and rewarding experience. Life is not complete until you share your love."

Mary Rose Stocks, volunteer coordinator at South Greenville and Wahl Coates Schools, believes Choo gives the children proper guidance in academics as well as right from wrong. Stocks' program works to create a triangle partnership between parents, teachers and volunteers working in the classroom.

"Choo is loved by all the children," Stocks said. "She has the skill to teach them academics as well as interact with them to improve social skills."

Laurie Runyan teaches fifth grade at South Greenville and works regularly with Choo. Runyan believes Choo is very dedicated and goes above and beyond the call of duty.

"Choo is not only efficient, she is good and always concerned about the children," Runyan said. "There is a lot of minority representation at the school and it is good for the students to work with an Asian-American."

According to school officials, the benefits of volunteering with the school children are reflected in the students' performance. A majority of the children, after working with a volunteer, showed grade level proficiency on end-of-course tests. With such noticeable improvements in student performance, volunteers are becoming a precious commodity for local schools.

Choo also believes in the educational rewards for the actual student volunteer. She believes volunteering can teach student volunteers confidence, organization and social skills that are valuable in today's job market.

"Volunteering can teach time management, patience and responsibility," Choo said. "Student volunteers can practice leadership before they get to the real world."

Choo has been volunteering through the ECU Student Volunteer Program (SVP). The SVP is directed by Judy Baker and those interested in volunteering should call her at 328-6432.

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month to see how they are doing.

If you are interested in participating in this test and were unable to last week, there is still time for you to participate.

"We will continue our testing until we receive 30 more participants," McCammon said.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside of Room 130 in Rawl, for those wanting to participate. Testing will take place on Thursday, Nov. 18.

The people who are needed are those who suffered damage to property or forced evacuation from their home.

"This offers another option to helping people during these difficult events," McCammon said.

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ior that comes with adolescence.

This book is strongly recommended for anyone with young girls in their family. It's an eye-opening epiphany of the terrors of growing up female in the teenage years. The only problem with the book is that it repeats itself in its metaphors a little too often, so it can feel like you're reading the same chapter over and over again.

If you can get past that one flaw, however, "Reviving Ophelia" is an enjoyable, page-turning work whose shocking details of the hardships faced by women will leave the reader wishing the book and the scenarios described were fantasy.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Jarrett wraps up Winston Cup crown

An exclamation point was placed on the two biggest stories of the NASCAR Winston Cup season on Sunday when Tony Stewart won his third race of the year and Dale Jarrett won it all.

After several near misses for himself and car owner Robert Yates, Jarrett put the finishing touches on his first Winston Cup championship with a fifth-place finish in the inaugural Pennzoil 400 at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

"We did what we had to do," Jarrett said. "It's almost impossible to put into words what I feel."

### LPGA tour top honors go to Webb

Karrie Webb lost the PageNet Championship Sunday but she won the LPGA's major awards this season.

Webb bested Julie Inkster for Player of the Year, Vare Trophy for lowest scoring average (69.43) and the money title (\$1,591,959).

"I really wanted to be Player of the Year," Webb said.

### Lewis wins a fair fight, finally

Eight months after his controversial draw against Evandor Holyfield, Lennox Lewis gained a measure of redemption.

Lewis, with superior size and strength, earned an unanimous decision in the rematch Saturday night.

Lewis becomes the first unified heavyweight boxing champion since Riddick Bowe in 1992.



### Dayne delivers record run to become No. 1

Now he's the Greatest Dayne. Ron Dayne broke the major-college career rushing record Saturday on a 31-yard run with 4:32 left in the second quarter of No. 9 Wisconsin's 41-3 win over Iowa.

The run gave Dayne 6,288 rushing yards in his career, breaking the record of 6,279 set just last year by Texas' Ricky Williams. Dayne finished the day with 216 yards in the game and 6,397 for his career as the Badgers clinched their second straight Rose Bowl berth.

### Virginia Tech destroys Miami 43-10

The Hokie Pokie is hip, and cornerbacks like Charlton and Anthony Midget danced up a storm against No. 19 Miami.

Charlton recovered three fumbles, returning one 51 yards for a touchdown, and Midget intercepted three passes as No. 2 Virginia Tech sidestepped the Hurricanes 43-10 Saturday night. Tech then moved a step closer to a perfect season and a shot at the national championship.

"We've got good athletes we keep the pressure on defensively," said Tech coach Frank Beamer.

### Davenport takes title from Hingis

Playing with a sore left wrist, second-ranked Lindsay Davenport captured her sixth tennis title of the year Sunday, topping No. 1 Martina Hingis 6-3, 6-4 in the Advanta Championship final in Villanova, Pa.

"I'm so excited I've finally won," said Davenport, who was beaten in the Advanta final the last two years.

Hingis hopes to gain a measure of vengeance at the \$2 million Chase Championship, the 16-player finale which began Monday in New York.

# Pirates top Cincinnati

## Team regains winning form

Stephen Schramm  
SPORTS EDITOR

Before the 1999 season began, Head Coach Steve Logan stressed one thing to his team: not losing two games in a row.

Following the team's first loss to Southern Miss, the Pirates whipped Tulane 52-7. With the team's loss to UAB last week, Logan saw the need to respond with a victory over Cincinnati.

"We made a big, big issue preseason about not losing two games in a row," Logan said. "Both times that we lost, we've responded and gotten a victory."

The Bearcats came into Greenville with the nation's strongest punt defense. On the Bearcats first punt, ECU's Keith Stokes took it back 94 yards for the opening score.

The Bearcats came in having allowed only three sacks all season. By game's end, the Bearcats' quarterbacks had been sacked three more times and hit on almost every play.

"I thought we played with a lot of heart today," said quarterback David Garrard. "It was just a great showing by our offense."

The win gave the Pirates eight wins on the season. "[An] eight win season is extraordinary, by any measure," Logan said. "There won't be but 15, 18 teams



Richard Alston carries the ball against Cincinnati. (photo by Bobby Russell)

job," Stokes said. "There was a big hole in the middle, and it was me and the kicker, and I knew the kicker wasn't going to tackle me."

Coming into the game, the Bearcats had only allowed 19 yards on punt returns all year.

"Our punt return team took that real personal, to come out there with a big challenge, and we came up to the challenge today real well," Stokes said.

Stokes broke Tommy Bullock's single game punt-return yardage record, gaining 148 return yards.

in the whole country that win eight games. It's an accomplishment, and I'm very proud for the kids."

The win combined with UAB's loss earlier in the day assured the Pirates of a top three finish in C-USA and a bowl bid.

"Getting to a bowl game, I don't care what school you're at, is just bigger than big," Logan said. "It's a goal for every program, that starts out every August. Everybody's talking about going to a bowl game."

The Pirates opened up a 31-9 lead at halftime. The offensive outburst began following the game's opening drive, when the Pirates forced the Bearcats to punt. Stokes received the punt inside the ECU 10-yard line. He hit a seam in the Bearcat punt coverage, faked out the punter and easily scored.

"Once I caught the ball, my blockers did a real good



Stokes has helped the Pirates to an 11.5 yard per punt return average. (photo by Bobby Russell)

## Stokes provides spark for offense

Return man key  
to season's success

Stephen Schramm  
SPORTS EDITOR

As an offensive coordinator in 1990, Steve Logan begged then Head Coach Bill Lewis for a return man—a player whose only job was returning kicks. Lewis obliged and gave Logan a scholarship. Logan then found his man in junior college transfer Dion Johnson.

Johnson had a productive career in the purple and gold as a return man and a wide receiver.

Last year, Logan found himself in the same situation, scouring the junior college ranks for a quick fix to a kick return game that lacked punch.

"We got Dion Johnson [in 1990] and he impacted our program, and I was trying to recreate the magic, again with the same attitude."

Since Johnson, few junior college transfers have played for the Pirates.

"We've really divorced ourselves from junior college recruiting over the last five or six years," Logan said. "We've done really zero."

Just like he did in 1990, Logan found his man. This time it was Georgia Military College's Keith Stokes. Stokes, from Dothan, Ala. ran back six punts for touchdowns last season.

"He was extraordinary in junior college, but he's about five-foot-six, and that's why we got him," Logan said. "But he can play the game with the big boys."

Stokes has proven that he can indeed play with the big boys.

"Keith is an impact football player," Logan said.

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## Volleyball team defeats UNCW



Kaess is only the third Pirate with 1,000 digs for her career. (photo by Robin Vuchnich)

## Pirates come back after losing first game

Emily Koperniak  
STAFF WRITER

ECU's volleyball team defeated University of North Carolina at Wilmington here on Wednesday.

The Pirates moved ahead with a 3-1 win (13-15, 15-6, 15-6, 15-8) and are 4-6 in CAA play and 9-13 for the season.

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## Talking the talk



Pennell Griffin, left, is rumored to be one of the better trash talkers on the Pirate squad. (photo by Bobby Russell)

## The game within the game

Stephen Schramm  
SPORTS EDITOR

Football is a game dictated by physical strength and detailed strategy. Fans see passes and blocks, cut-backs and tackles; but what most fans don't realize is that there is an underlying mental aspect to the game. During the course of a game, players try to throw opponents off their game any way they can.

Whether it be with a late hit or a celebration after a crushing tackle, players will try to gain any advantage they can. Both methods are illegal in college football and will be greeted with a flag. However, there is one thing that players can do on the field to get into another player's mind that does not warrant a penalty and can go unnoticed by coaches and officials; trash talk.

"It can get you hyped. It can get the crowd going because the other team's frustrated," said running back Jamie Wilson.

Trash talk has been around as long as football. Whether coaches like it or not, almost every team does it. ECU is no different.

"Sometimes, I've got to say what I've got to say," said linebacker Pennell Griffin. "It's just part of the game."

The Pirates don't claim to be among the loudest mouths in college football, but they will talk when provoked.

"We're pretty laid back," said cornerback Kevin Monroe. "We don't necessarily talk trash unless they start it with us."

"I talk only if the guy says something first," said flanker, LaMont Chappell. "If they think their good or say something conceded in the paper, then I may go out there and start talking, to see if I can get them out of their game a little bit."

For players at certain positions, such as running

back, talking trash is part of the job. "I get hit on every play, so I'll tell them to 'bring it', or talk about their mama every once in a while. Nothing really dirty, but I like to keep stuff going," Wilson said.

Some teams talk worse than others. "Houston, they were pretty bad," Wilson said. "They talk a lot of junk. Their (defensive backs) were kind of small so they had to do something to try and get our mind off the game. Southern Miss, they talked a lot of junk since they beat us. They were like, 'Thanks for the Liberty Bowl tickets.'"

While the Pirates claim not to be too big on talking junk, certain members of the team can jaw with anyone.

"Rashon Burns, he talks trash to everybody, he's always out there trying to get something started," Wilson said.

Burns tries to keep his oratory confined to the practice field.

"I really do talk a lot in practice, because what happens in that is that, you get your defensive guys that prepare you for the game each week, you get them fired up and they want to show you up. It makes you play harder and, in actuality, it makes me a better player," Burns said.

Burns does not claim to be among the best talkers in games.

"Game wise, I try to keep it toned," Burns said. "I try to let whatever I do speak for itself."

Another Pirate has gained a reputation for being able to get into the heads of opponents.

"I think Pennell Griffin can do it with the best of them," Monroe said.

"It's like, 'I'm coming back! You'll see me every day, I'll be in your nightmares,'" Griffin said.

And what do opponents say to Griffin, the Pirates' leading tackler?

"There really haven't been too many people talking," Griffin said.

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"I felt we came together as a team finally, we played as a team, and communicated as a team," said Clint Claro. "We finally got our heads out of our butts and just wanted it more than them. Togetherness was our motto for the night."

Claro has played the setter position for injured Lisa Donovan for the past seven matches. Throughout the last match she tallied nine kills, thirty-three assists, sixteen digs, and four blocks.

UNCW scored four points that led to a victory for them in the first game. ECU and UNCW's team hitting average was equal. Throughout the rest of the evening, the Pirates outthit the Seahawks. ECU played

well defensively with 12.5 team blocks in comparison to UNCW's five.

"We started out slow but we picked up and we really narrowed our focus and played as a team," said Sarah Kary. The bottom line is we had fun."

After outscoring the Seahawks 15-6 in the second and third games, the fourth game was an easy win for the motivated Pirates. ECU played well during the final game with a high hitting percentage. Lucinda Mason contributed ten kills and twenty digs for the evening.

"I felt that we really came together as a team, and we played

hard and we played tough," said Shannon Kaess. "We started out slow but decided that we wanted to win. We picked it up the second, third and fourth game and we won."

Kaess gave the Pirates sixteen kills and eight digs for the night. She reached the 1,000 dig mark and became the third Pirate to ever do so.

ECU's volleyball team will start CAA tournament play at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 19 in Williamsburg, Va. They enter the tournament as the No. 5 seed and will face the No. 4 seed, William & Mary.

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The Pirates kept the Bearcats out of the end zone in the first quarter, holding the Bearcats to one Joe Judge field goal.

The Pirates got touchdown receptions from tight ends Rashon Burns and Corey Floyd and an eight yards Jamie Wilson touchdown run.

Cincinnati finally broke into the end zone with a LaDaris Vann touchdown catch in the second quarter.

The Pirates had trouble in their past two games running the ball. Against Houston and UAB, the Pirates rushed for 76 yards on the ground. Against Cincinnati, the Pirates racked up 244 yards on 45 carries.

Junior Leonard Henry got the start at the running back slot for ECU. Henry started ahead of fellow junior Wilson.

"He played a great game," Wilson said, who rushed for 87 yards on 15 carries. "He went out and ran hard, he just got his opportunity and took advantage of it." Henry was the Pirates' leading rusher on the day,

gaining 95 yards on 16 carries.

Cruising 48-19 late in the fourth quarter, Logan was playing his second and third units, when the Bearcats made it interesting.

A Robert Cooper one-yard touchdown run made the score 48-26. Following an onside kick, Vann scored on a touchdown pass from David Bertucci to make it 48-32.

Mays scored the two point conversion to cut the East Carolina lead to 14 with under a minute to go. After the Pirates turned the ball over on downs, the Bearcats drove inside the Pirates' 40. The game finally ended on a Carlos Reyes interception as time expired.

"We got a little silly there at the end," Logan said. "That's what happens when you get down into your third units, but we got them onto the field and that was good for our program."

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"The little guy goes out there and makes play after play. He's a threat every time he touches the football. Every team needs one of those guys and he supplies that for us."

Saturday, Stokes ran his first punt back for a touchdown. He had run three punts back for apparent scores earlier this season. All three had been nullified by penalties.

"It feels great to finally break one without a flag," Stokes said. "I'm not really upset at our blockers. I know their doing the best they can. They're out there working hard, doing the best they can. If they make a mistake it's all right."

The return put the Pirates up 7-0 against Cincinnati.

"Keith deserved that," said quarterback David Garrard. "It sparked the whole team. Everybody just felt that it was our day, we were going to come out here and pound them."

Stokes has also been about to provide the Pirates with a weapon at receiver.

"We got the same bonus out of Keith that we did out of Dion," Logan said. "That is his play at wide receiver."

"I want to help the team any way I can," Stokes said. "When they recruited me, all they told me all I was going to do was return kicks, be a specialist. Playing wide receiver is a little extra, so I can help the team out a little bit."

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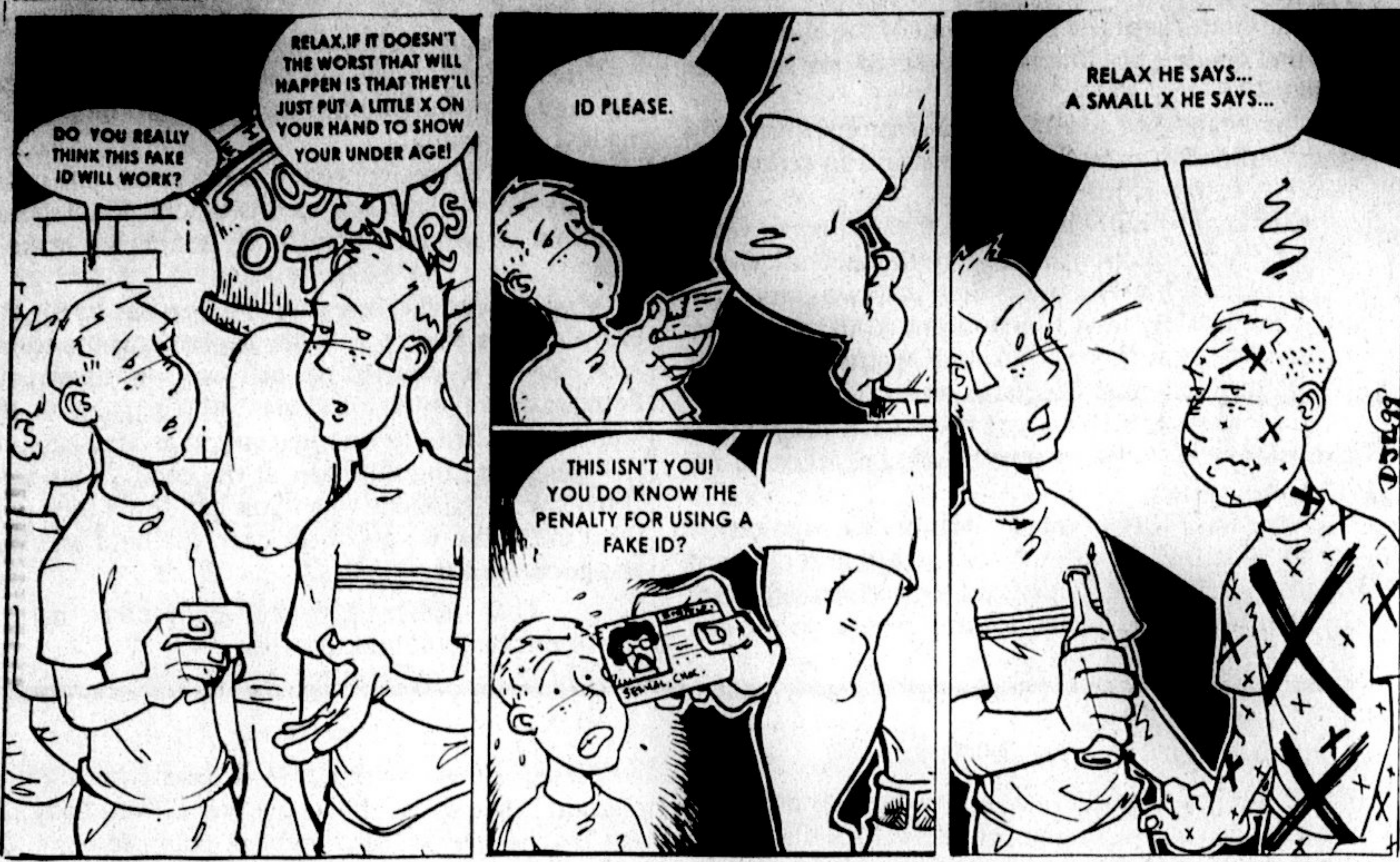
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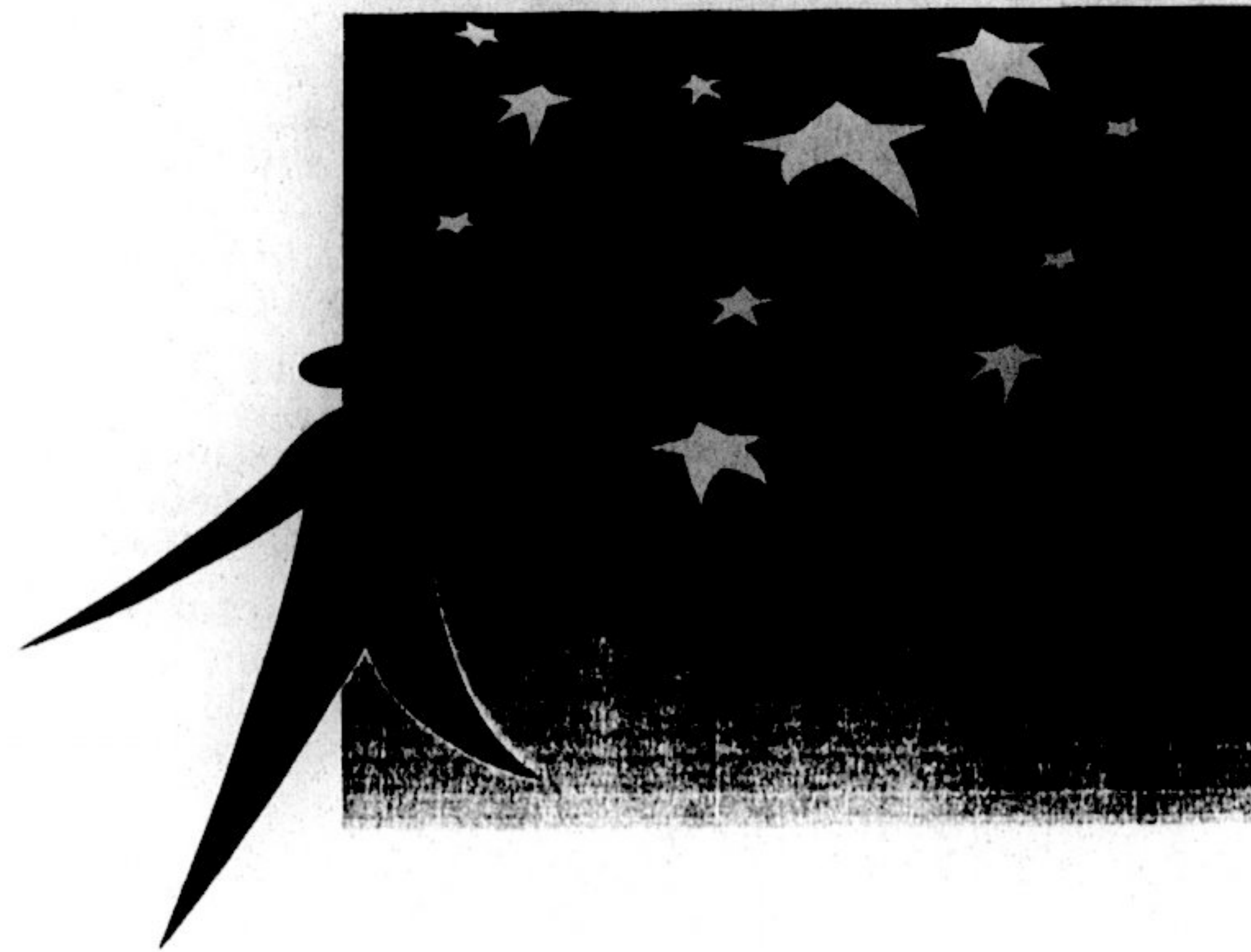
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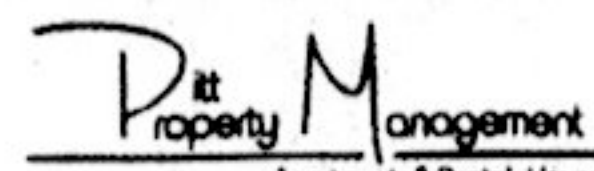
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GREEK PERSONALS

**TAU KAPPA Epsilon,** we had a great time at Thursday's social. Love, Alpha Delta Pi

**ALPHA OMICRON Pi** would like to congratulate Dustin Mitchel, Justin Mularkey, Tim Hoffman, Ed Ianuzzi, John Strickland, Steve Lehrer, Steven Branch, Randy Barnes, BJ Britt, Chris Rey, Johnathan Taylor, Eric Reyes, Matt Kirkendall, Joseph Mann, Brian Simpson, Chris Chandler, Cress Bell, for being chosen for Alpha Omicron Pi's Men of ECU Calendar. And thanks to all who tried out.

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**ALPHA DELTA Pi** would like to thank Lambda Chi Alpha for last Friday's social. Can't wait to get together again soon!

**ALPHA OMICRON Pi** would like to thank Delta Chi for letting us help you move in. We love you guys.

**ALPHA OMICRON Pi** would like to wish our sister sorority, Sigma Sigma Sigma, a Happy Thanksgiving break.

**ALPHA OMICRON Pi,** congratulations on being undefeated in soccer. Love, your sisters

**THERE WILL** be Order of Omega meeting on Tuesday November 11th in the Pirate Underground. Fundraiser money will be due.

**PHI TAU,** thanks for the great social on Thursday. We had a wonderful time! Love, Alpha Xi Delta

**ALPHA Xi Delta** would like to thank Sigma Nu, Alpha Delta Pi, and Sigma Pi for the great social.

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**TEST PREPARATION.** The Center for Counseling and Student Development is offering the following workshop on November 15, 11:00. If you are interested in this program please call the center at 328-6661.

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## movie Reviews

### SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE (R)

Romantic comedy set in London in the late 16th century: Young playwright William Shakespeare struggles with his latest work "Romeo and Ethel the Pirate's Daughter." A great fan of Shakespeare's plays is young, wealthy Viola who is about to be married to the cold-hearted Lord Wessex, but constantly dreams of becoming an actress. Women were not allowed to act on stage at that time (female roles were played by men, too), but dressed up as a boy, Viola successfully auditions for the part of Romeo. Soon she and William are caught in a forbidden romance that provides rich inspiration for his play.

### SOUTH PARK (R)

South Park is a quiet and peaceful place until the latest Terrance and Philip movie comes out. Once all the kids see it, all hell breaks loose, as the parents try to find a way to stop their kids from saying all the naughty words coming out of their mouths. The parents blame Terrance and Philip, place them under Citizen's Arrest, and declare war on their home country, Canada. It is up to the kids to save the world from Satan and keep Terrance and Philip from being executed.

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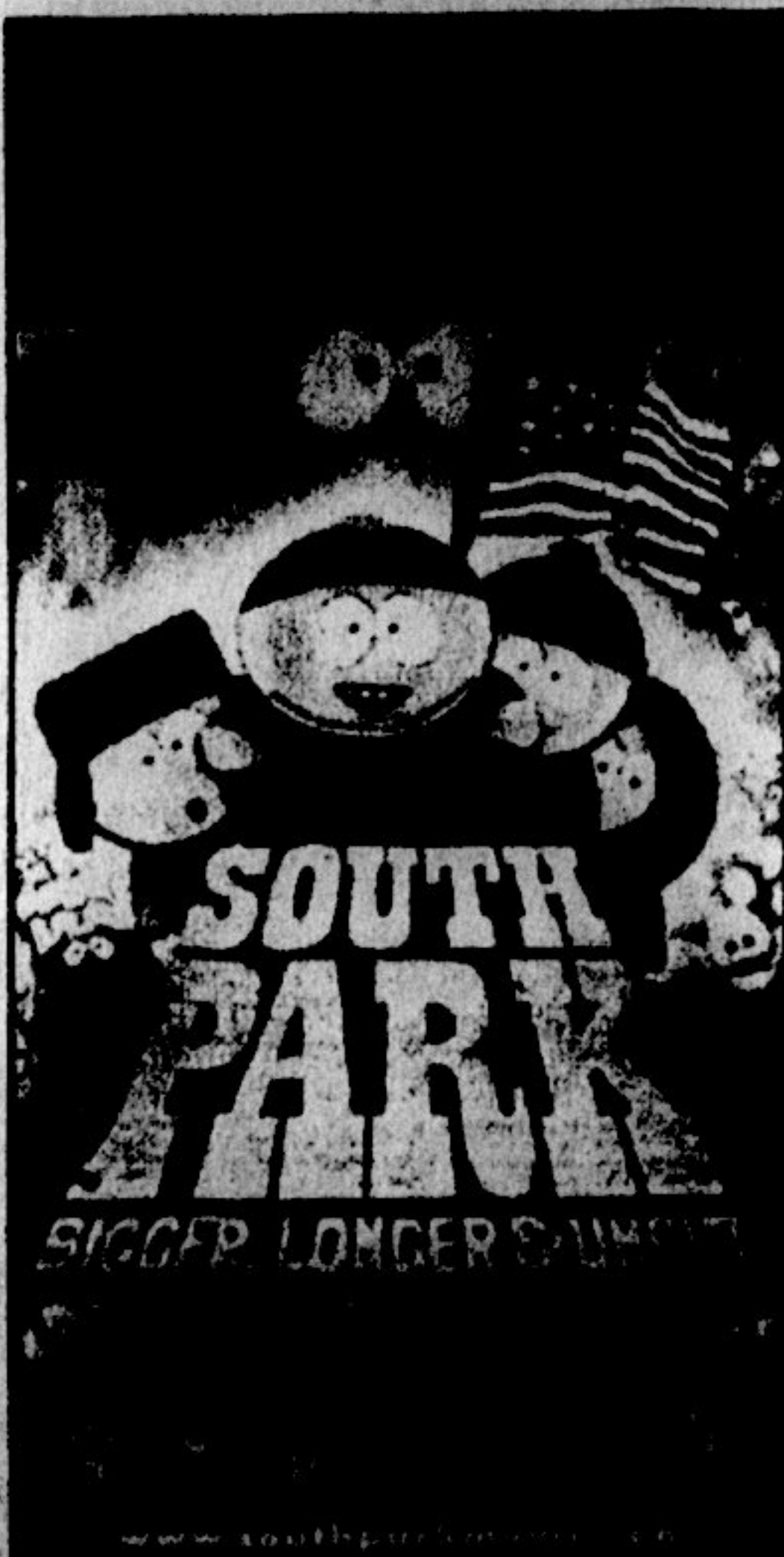
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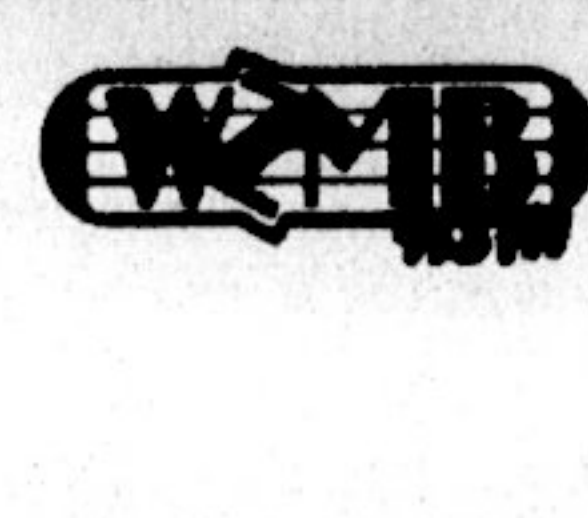


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### Wicked Wednesday

Mercury Cinema: Shakespeare In Love  
7:30pm / Hendrix

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### Thirsty Thursday

Blockbuster Film: South Park  
7:30pm / Hendrix  
Mercury Cinema: Shakespeare In Love  
10pm / Hendrix

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### Fabulous Friday

Blockbuster Film: South Park  
7:30pm / Hendrix  
**Jazz at Night!**  
8pm / MSC Social Room

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### Sensational Saturday

Blockbuster Film: South Park  
7:30pm / Hendrix  
ECU FOOTBALL: NC State  
9pm / Ficklen Stadium

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### Super Sunday

Blockbuster Film: South Park  
3pm / Hendrix  
**Bingo Night!**  
6pm / Pirate Underground

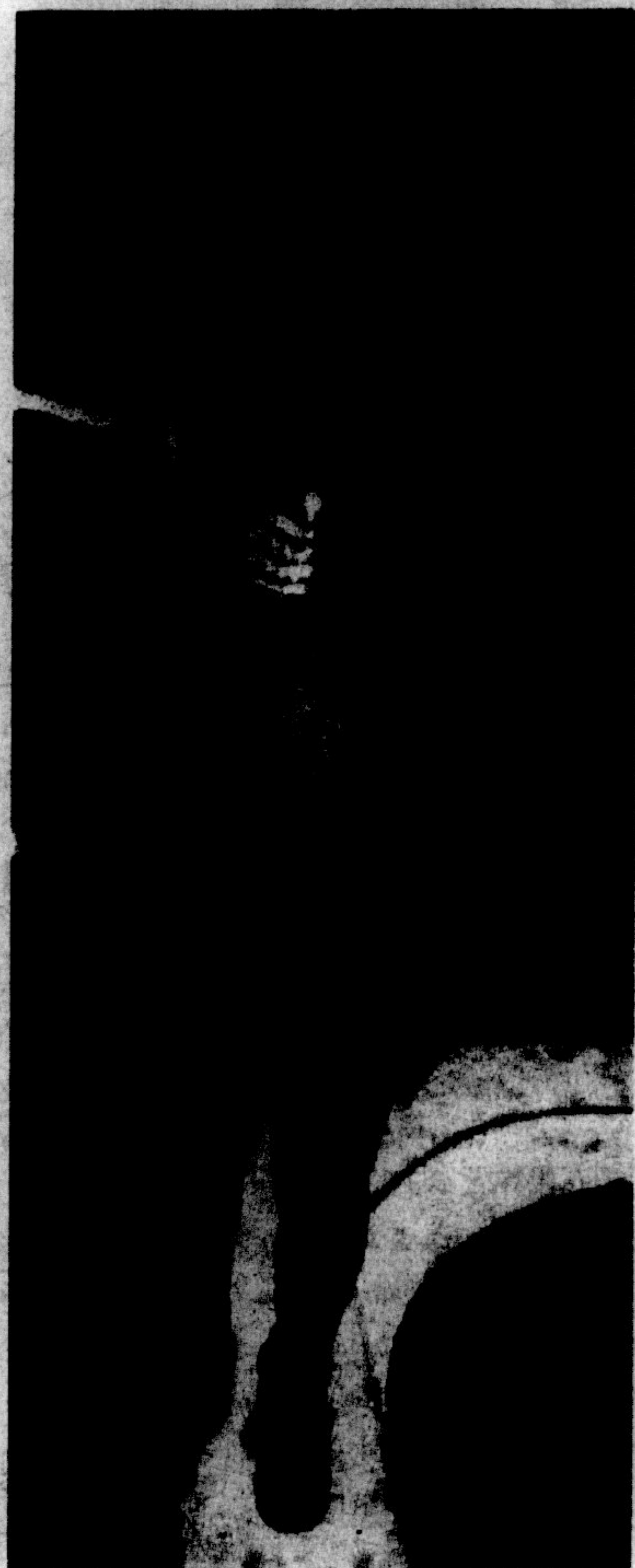
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# Fountainhead

Thursday, Nov. 11, 1999



## The results are in!

*The Fountainhead recognizes this year's best Halloween party...*

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### MOVIE REVIEW

Do you like scary movies?  
Well, forget this one...

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### CD REVIEW

G-Love stays the course...

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### LAST WORD

The Ceramics Guild's got  
the goods...

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We think we just found Waldo...



Stay tuned next week for more of "Dick" and his flood-weary sidekick!



That's what he gets for washing down Jim Beam with Texas Pete.

## The results are in!

### **The Fountainhead recognizes this year's best Halloween party...**

Patrick McMahon  
Staff Writer

Many of you may have seen me last week, handing out fliers advertising our Halloween Party of the Year Contest here at the Fountainhead. But judging from the response, maybe you didn't.

Anyway, I acquired some inside information on the good parties, took my trusty

camera in hand and set out Halloween weekend in search of the most outrageous parties. The contestants had a chance to win a \$20 gift certificate to CD Alley, who was gracious enough to sponsor the contest.

I set out for my friend's house Friday night to check and see what they had heard of. I couldn't get into the parking lot without being surrounded by people. Overwhelmed by the immense crowd, I had to see where all these people were coming from.

It took me 10 minutes to

reach the apartment of the eventual winner. There had to be at least 200 people there! I looked all around for the guys throwing the party, but to my sheer amazement and joy it was a group of girls that had the cajones to break some laws conducting this party.

It was wild and out of hand, just the way I like it. They really took their apartment complex to a new level. The proud hosts of the party and winners of our Halloween Party of the Year were none other than Lauren Behrends, Wendy Snyder, Misty Ash and Tania

Cruse of apartment 28 in Player's Club.

Honorable mentions go to apartments 105 and 128 for the prodigious outpourings of people and beer, and also to the perpetrator of that really stupid act that resulted in a couple of people going to the hospital.

I'm not going to mention any names and most likely the only people who know what I am talking about were the ones involved. Hey man, I hope you get back what you lost, but jeez, what were you thinking? You could have killed somebody! Best of luck in all you guys'

recovery.

Second place goes to Theta Chi's late night on Saturday night. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend, so I sent my photographer instead. Judging by his pictures and stories, it must have a sight to see.

The weekend went off without a hitch and I would like to thank Gil at CD Alley for his great assistance in sponsoring us. You really set it off. Thanks to everyone who participated, and start looking for our future contests.

This writer can be contacted at  
pmcmahon@studentmedia.ecu.edu

All Halloween photos by Patrick McMahon



The Halloween Party of the Year celebrates the holiday the old-fashioned way... BEER!



Everybody get out! The cops are here!



Hey, you! Yeah, you, the one sitting down! How many gallons of Absolut have you had?



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## MOVIE REVIEW

# "Scary house" thriller insipid at best

### ***Twitching bad guy can't save Haunted Hill***

Kenny Smith  
Staff Writer

Since the beginning of cinema, bad horror films have outnumbered the good ones 20:1. Some of those movies are awfully funny and become cult classics (the *Evil Dead* series comes to mind), but most are just poor pieces of work haunted by weak premises, bad acting and even worse scripts.

*House on Haunted Hill* is a re-make of a 1950s Vincent Price movie, which means it's like a

regular bad horror movie done up with new hip actors and neat special effects. But at least this movie doesn't start to putrefy until the last moments.

Geoffrey Rush plays Steven Price, the owner of an amusement park and designer of rides that does a wonderful job of scaring the hell out of people. His wife, Famke Janseen, has an idea for throwing a Halloween party in a building that was once a sanitarium. Rush and Janseen have an interesting relationship: he's a sick piece of crap and she married him for the money, so you can imagine the rest.

The guest list consists of five people who need money, and the premise of



Stay away, but only because it sucks. (World Wide Web photo).

the party is that all those who survive the night get 1 million dollars apiece. Remaining guests get to divvy a dead guest's money among themselves.

All five characters, Peter Gallagher, a doctor; Taye Diggs, former baseball player; Ali Larter, a secretary and Bridgette Wilson, a former TV personality accept their invitations. Chris Kattan, the owner of the house, is added to the list.

Through the early stages of the movie, Rush thinks that he is in control of things happening in the house, which has a curious mind of its own. Kattan repeatedly tells the guests, "It's the house, were all gonna die." And he's right to a point.

The thing about this house is that the doctor who ran the sanitarium is a real nut job who thought it was fun to torture his patients. The doctor has some serious

twitching problems, which come out during his appearances.

He is the creepiest part of the movie. But for some reason, he disappears without a trace halfway through the film.

The really bad stuff is in the basement, but I won't give it away. Once the basement scene is over, there's no point in staying; might as well just go home at that point.

This movie has a lot of twists. An audience member might think that at least four different characters might be calling the shots in the house.

Ghoulish parts abound, although most of them in-

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## CD REVIEW

# What do they put in that sauce?

### ***G-Love and the special sauce keep flavor***

Robbie Schwartz  
Staff Writer

The innovators who mix folk, rap and blues to form their own sound have released a fourth album called *Philadelphonic*.

G. Love and Special Sauce have put together an album after two years in the studio that should appeal to the masses as a whole. Every tune on *Philadelphonic*



evokes some type of feeling; the album does everything from making you want to get out of your seat and jam to helping you chill on the couch.

Perhaps the best song on *Philadelphonic* is its second track called "Dreamin'."

Sampling from the song Clarence Reid's "Clean Up Woman," the tune combines a phat beat with a good message about never giving up on dreaming. Dedicated the song to his friend, Mario Bradley, and "to all the good people who had the courage to follow a personal dream," G. Love reminds us that "dreams are like fish, you got to keep on reeling."

For the first time, G. Love reveals a little bit of a religious side with the song "Numbers." The song has a spoken intro taken from Baird T. Spalding's *Life and*

*Teaching of the Masters of the Far East*. The song also refers to one of G. Love's greatest influences, Bob Dylan.

Some points in the day there are times in which you just want to kick back and relax. For that, the album offers the slower tempo track "Relax," which could easily be mistaken for a Pink Floyd track. Along these same lines, the tracks "Love" and "Kick Drum"

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# Artists create for cash



Students bought mugs and tumblers at last week's Ceramics Guild sale. (Photo by Emily Richardson).

## Help art students and yourself by supporting the Ceramics Guild

Maura Buck  
Staff Writer

ECU is known regionally and nationally for its strong fine arts program. The Ceramics Guild is one division of the program that includes students from the fine arts department who aspire to careers as ceramic artists.

The purpose of this non-profit organization is to bring together groups of students that foster the same occupational aspirations and introduce them to a number of

unique experiences.

This year, for example, some of the students will be attending a national conference on ceramics in Colorado. The guild also sponsored a ceramics convention earlier this semester.

The group is committed to continually furthering the knowledge of its exclusive trade by bringing in the world's most renowned and well-respected artists, to collecting and sending funds to a small number of students and holding national conferences around the country.

To fund such beneficial experiences, the association participates in a number of

sales every year, including a Christmas sale which will be held this year Dec. 2-4 in the first and second floor lobby of the Jenkins Building.

Although the Ceramics Guild will be attending, representatives from the other schools within the fine arts program will be selling items varying from ceramics and rings to silk scarves and wooden cutting boards, with prices ranging from \$10-\$100.

"[The strongest quality of the organization] is getting in visiting artists," said Meleya Rhodes, president of the Ceramics Guild and a ceramics major. "It introduces us to fine arts around the world."

Last year alone, the guild brought in artists from Japan, Norway and Australia as well as various cities within the US.

This enables students to make a number of contacts and enjoy new ideas along with a wealth of creativity from all over the world. Undoubtedly, the entire point of the organization is to strive to better each member by offering once-in-a-lifetime educational opportunities that will forever influence the individual's life and career.

One way to aid the students involved is by visiting the sales they hold and purchasing goods they create. Quality pieces provide buy-

ers a chance to benefit while helping fellow students go places to improve their knowledge of the trade.

If you are a fine arts major in the division of ceramics, look for posters around the Jenkins Building for information about meetings. The fee is \$5 annually which gives members the privilege of participating in the sales and voting on which artists to bring in. Members are also able to request money from various venues synonymous with the club to aid in paying for summer school classes.

If you're only interested in collecting art, there is much to gain by supporting these young artists. This Christmas, pick up something unusual and beautiful from the Ceramics Guild for that someone you care about while supporting our fabulous and remarkably creative art students.

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volve the doctor and his freaky twitching.

The performances given by Rush and Janseen are the only ones worth mentioning because they were the only decent ones.

*Haunted Hill* is one of those movies that has a really good set-up, but the climax falls so flat that it's not worth seeing again. The movie is worth matinee price, but not a full \$6.75.

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are made for when you are sitting on the couch in that other zone.

For those times when it seems hard to get out of bed, or if you're one of those people who rock their heads back and forth in the car, the tracks "No Turning Back" and "Rodeo Clowns" will definitely get you going.

*Philadelphonic* is the group's first CD with producer T. Ray. Vocalist G. Love plays guitar and the harmonica. Jimi "Jazz" Prescott plays acoustic bass and Jeffrey Clemens is on the drums and percussion instruments.

G. Love and Special Sauce, who also contributed a song to the *Woodstock '99* album, have found time to release songs on the soundtrack to *Muppets from Space*, and have also collaborated with blues legend Little Milton Campbell on his release, "Me and My Woman."

*Philadelphonic* is an interactive CD which allows you to connect to the group's home page, where you can leave messages for the band about your favorite song and read the group's bio. You can also check out the group's tour dates, as they vow to play 250 gigs during the next year.

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## RAMBLIN' ON

# The action just won't stop

**Fast-paced, big-budget flops are where it's at**

Ryan Kennemur  
Senior Writer

Okay. Here's our best pitch. Let's get Bea Arthur to reprise her role as

Dorothy from TV's *The Golden Girls*. Then, let's put her in space where

only she can breathe...only her and...Bum bum BUUUUMMM...Wesley Snipes, the last of the

"Space Yaks," the Jed-hi slayers thought to be wiped out for centuries.

Sound familiar? Doesn't it just seem like this is the best the filmmakers can offer us lately? Oh, sure, they have their *Fight Club* and their

*American Pie* occasionally, but for the most part, we believe it be nothing

short of camel crap. Take for example the horror movie genre in the last few years. First there came *Scream*, a movie that didn't "reinvent" the horror movie, but pretty

much "recycled" it.

Then came the sequel, which instead of making you scared, it settled for just making you jump, much like its predecessor. I'm pretty sure that the third installment (due this Christmas) will not be much different...just more beautiful faces to hack up.

Then came the spinoffs, such as *Urban Legend*, *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, and *I Still Know. I Have a Pretty Good Idea of What You'll Be Doing Next Summer* will probably follow.

All of these movies are

just a little too hip for me, as if the ending credits should include the words "Tampax was there."

And these ridiculous action movies these days are, well, ridiculous. The best example that comes to mind is that recent movie with Cuba Gooding Jr. and Skeet Ulrich about fry cooks and nuclear weapons.

You know, I'd rather watch Marilyn Manson show what he can do without those extra ribs than sit through something like that.

We here at *The Fountain-head*, which is America's fa-

vorite entertainment magazine (right?) believe that if movies are going to cost seven bucks to

attend, they should be worth at least half that.

No more movies with the stars of TV's *Friends* playing baseball with monkeys or passing up Gweneth Paltrow for somebody's mother.

No more cops who play by their own rules, no more Van Damme. Just more Christopher Walken and Johnny Depp, thank you.

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## AMERICAN ODDITIES

**Couple ordered to split Beanie Baby collection**

LAS VEGAS (AP) A divorced couple couldn't agree on how to split their Beanie Baby collection, so a judge ordered them to divide up the babies one by one in a courtroom.

"It's ridiculous and embarrassing," Frances Mountain said Friday, moments before squatting on the courtroom floor alongside her ex-husband to choose first from a pile of dozens of stuffed toys.

Maple the Bear was the first to go, as a few people in the gallery snickered.

Frances and Harold Mountain divorced four months ago and, according to the divorce decree, were supposed to split their Beanie Baby collection, esti-

mated to be worth between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

But they failed to do so, and after Mountain filed a motion to get his share of the litter, the judge said he had had enough.

"Because you folks can't solve it, it takes the services of a ... judge, a bailiff and a court reporter," Family Court Judge Gerald Hardcastle told the ex-couple.

**Sunken seaplane found in Lake Champlain**

FERRISBURGH, Vt. (AP) The bottom of Lake Champlain is continuing to offer surprises to scientists using an underwater camera to map the bottom.

Now it's a 50-year-old seaplane, sunk in about 200

feet of water, between Ferrisburgh and Westport, N.Y.

"It's pretty strange," said Arthur Cohn, director of the maritime museum, which is conducting an underwater survey of Lake Champlain. "We found 40 shipwrecks, but this is the first aircraft."

The single-engine seaplane was found this summer by a team of museum researchers.

The plane was discovered lying upside down. With its wings and body still intact, the plane doesn't appear to have crashed.

Cohn thinks it sank while floating on the water.

"It was in such good condition, we didn't know if it went down a week ago or years ago," said Cohn.

The museum contacted the Federal Aviation Admin-

istration in Burlington and the New York State Police, hoping to trace the origin of the aircraft, a Republic Seabee, built in 1947.

At first, police thought the plane might have been involved in some illicit activity, namely drug smuggling, because its demise went unreported and its registration numbers didn't check out.

But it was later determined that the plane's registration had not been renewed since 1955, leading Cohn and others to believe that the craft went down not long after that. Given its age, police have ruled out foul play, Cohn said. There are no plans to recover the aircraft.

"We believe there are people in the Champlain Valley who know about this incident," said Cohn. "We

hope they will come forward and help solve this mystery."

More previously unknown relics have been found at the lake bottom, also. "This summer, surveyors also discovered 10 wooden boats mostly canal boats and other historic sailing vessels, dating back to the 19th century," Cohn said.

The lake survey project started in 1996. Cohn expects it will take another four years before researchers have surveyed the entire lake bottom.





## THINGS TO DO



Check out Limp Bizkit Sunday in Raleigh.  
(World Wide Web photo).

### Thursday November 11

**Backdoor:** New Society of Anarchists

**Cat's Cradle:** Mr. Bungle

**The Cellar:** In Tune Entertainment Karaoke (10:00 PM)

**Peasant's Cafe:** Chupacabra

**Sports Pad/Splash:** In Tune Entertainment Karaoke (10:00 PM)

**Underwater Cafe:** (Mug Nite)

**Entertainment Karaoke** (10:00 PM)

**Wright Auditorium:** Airman of Note (8:00 PM)

### Saturday November 13

**Backdoor:** Ladderback/ Insult to Inquiry/ Index for Potential Inquiry/ Marion/ Guyana Punchline

**Beef Barn:** Cynthia White

**The Cellar:** In Tune Entertainment Karaoke (10:00 PM)

**Courtyard Tavern:** Kat Daddy's Fish House

**Raleigh Sports & Entertainment Center:** Limp Bizkit with special guests Methodman, Redman, Dope, and System of a Down

**Peasant's Cafe:** (Open Mic Nite)

### Monday November 15

**Backdoor:** Pezz/ Spazms/ Lo-Fi Conspiracy

**Cat's Cradle:** Sick of it All

**Sports Pad/Splash:** Monday Night Wrasslin'

### Tuesday November 16

**Hendrix Theatre:** Travel Adventure Film: Exploring Wild Florida, Richard Kern, (4:00 and 7:30 PM)

**Peasant's Cafe:** (Mug Nite) Fat Apple

### Wednesday November 17

**The Attic:** (Comedy Zone)

**Sports Pad/Splash:** Free Shag Lessons (8:00-9:00)

**Underwater Cafe:** Karaoke



The Illbilly Boys want to rock Friday at The Corner. (File photo).

### Friday November 12

**The Attic:** Shootyz Groove

**Backdoor:** Chrome Donuts/ 10 Second Rule/ Quote Unquote

**Beef Barn:** Cynthia White

**The Cellar:** In Tune Entertainment Karaoke (10:00 PM)

**The Corner:** The Illbilly Boys

**Peasant's Cafe:** Sankofa

**Sports Pad/Splash:** In Tune

**Peasant's Cafe:** Superfresh

**Sports Pad/Splash:** In Tune Entertainment Karaoke (10:00 PM)

### Sunday November 14

**Backdoor:** Mad Hatters

**Cat's Cradle:** Dark Star Orchestra

**Courtyard Tavern:** (Yard Party-No Cover) Scarce and Kittner

## TOP 10 LIST NOW SHOWING

### Top 10 Ways to Have Fun With a Fountainhead

#### 10.

Wrap around feet and tell parents you need new shoes.

#### 9.

Tape over windows broken during wild party.

#### 8.

Use to hide face when spying for the government.

#### 7.

One word: insulation.

#### 6.

Toss into corners that need more clutter.

#### 5.

Use in art projects.

#### 4.

Keep some around for kindlin'.

#### 3.

Makes for soft 'n' fluffy rustic toilet paper.

#### 2.

Stack 'em high enough to make an attractive end-table.

#### 1.

Read it.

### Carmike 12

*Blue Streak*

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*Bringing Out The Dead*

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*Double Jeopardy*

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*The Best Man*

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*The Bone Collector*

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*The Insider*

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*The Omega Code*

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*The Story Of Us*

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### Carolina East 4

*American Beauty*

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*Fight Club*

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*The Adventures Of*

*Elmo In Grouchland*

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*Three To Tango*

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### The Buccaneer

*Bowfinger*

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*Deep Blue Sea*

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*Outside Providence*

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## HOROSCOPES

### ARIES: (March 21 - April 20)

Learn to recognize when you talk too much, or when your co-workers seem uncomfortable. Be sensitive to others.

### TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Love is overflowing. Either a current mate will rekindle your flame, or you may be introduced to a new and exciting love.

### GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

If the attitudes of those around you are holding you back, it's time to be a little bit more self-centered in order to move yourself closer to your goals.

### CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

Don't try so hard to keep everyone in your small circle happy. Any attempts to patch up an old relationship which is on the rocks will be met with frustration.

### LEO: (July 24 - Aug. 23)

Money will be tight, but cutting corners in other areas will make the project possible.

### VIRGO: (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

Life is not without flaws, and the sooner you convince the perfectionist attitude in yourself, the happier you are going to be.

### LIBRA: (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

Your plans may go completely awry this week. Make the best of the situation and some good may come of it. Something very promising may come from a missed opportunity.

### SCORPIO: (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Your hard work may not be noticed by others during the week. Make sure to satisfy yourself first, for you will never be able to count on others for your happiness.

### SAGITTARIUS: (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

Get help with money matters - possibly bank statements and transactions. Your financial footing may be much more stable than even you expected.

### CAPRICORN: (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

Don't be so quick to judge others, you truly do not know what motivates and influences others to do what they do.

### AQUARIUS: (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

You may feel yourself being drawn into a very unusual relationship, but one that will keep your interest for many years to come.

### PISCES: (Feb. 20 - March 20)

If you keep your feelings under wrap, it will create emotional upheavals, even though there is an illusion of control.

**IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** To make your relationships better, avoid pettiness in all its forms when interacting with those close to you.

## FLAVOR OF THE WEEK

### Hell Night '99 pounds Peasant's



Photo by Patrick McMahon.

UN SOUND, Kuttphat and 7 Ton Diesel tear it up.

#### Writer stops to smell the sulphur Halloween at Peasant's

Patrick "scared of his own shadow" McMahon  
Staff Writer

Oct. 31 signals the bringing out of the of the demons, the spirits and the mystic followers of the night. Halloween is a time for the darker side of the world to reveal itself in all its gory glory. Peasant's Cafe was the hallowed place where many chose to spend this evil night, and those that attended the annual Hell Night celebration of metal were greeted with outlandish sounds and fierce shows. It was a night to remember.

The night featured four bands who were equally qualified in the crunch-and-go metal sounds that have been absent from the American landscape for so long. The place was packed from the get-go and the fans in attendance eagerly awaited each song as if their very souls depended on it. The pure adrenaline that flowed through the air was something to behold as numerous people sported the glassy red eyes that only such a rush can produce.

The night opened up

with a bang as Mini Void rocked the night awake with their unique blend of hyper vocals and a full-on assault of sound. As someone who only dabbles in metal (COC and Godsmack are the only disks I have), they truly brought me in for the kill and thoroughly delivered without a hitch.

Then came another visual and sonic assault in UN SOUND. More like UN-GODLY. That's probably the only way I can describe their sound. Time after time, they used music to lure the listeners in and then blasted them back with more and more sound. The effect was like a giant hurricane blowing you back into a trampoline that bounced you back in for another gust of wind.

Up next came the much-anticipated return of Dan Heath at drums for Kuttphat's performance. After a nine-month hiatus, Heath returned with a vengeance. The bass and heavy, almost helicopter-like beating of the drums were impressive. While not entirely drum-driven, the sound was kick-ass. The vocals were loud and aggressive and the accompaniment was rock-solid as well. The combination of Heath and irrepressible vocals made this the band of the night. Well, they

would have been if 7 Ton Diesel hadn't shown up.

If you ever plan to see 7 Ton Diesel perform live, do not, I repeat, do not wear ear plugs. You need to feel the music as well as hear it. Just make sure you are healthy and have no heart ailments because these guys will surely beat you to death with sound. Picture a 7-ton diesel engine and the pure and unadulterated noise it's capable of producing. With that image in mind, you can get a pretty close assumption as to the nature of the band's delightful show of aggressive sonic blasting.

Attacking in full Halloween garb and displaying their love for pure noise, they pushed the crowd into a frenzy. I thought the owner of Peasant's was about to poop in his britches because everyone moved in a manner that reminded me of a riot. With devilish vocals and heavy bass and drums, these guys wanted to pulverize the joint into the ground with a sledgehammer and then run over everyone's heads with a John Deere lawnmower.

Surprisingly, they did all this without making my ears bleed or giving me a headache from the music. If you missed Hell Night '99, you missed one hell of a show.

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We think we just found Waldo...



Stay tuned next week for more of "Dick" and his flood-weary sidekick!



That's what he gets for washing down Jim Beam with Texas Pete.

# The results are in!

## The Fountainhead recognizes this year's best Halloween party...

Patrick McMahon  
Staff Writer

Many of you may have seen me last week, handing out fliers advertising our Halloween Party of the Year Contest here at the Fountainhead. But judging from the response, maybe you didn't.

Anyway, I acquired some inside information on the good parties, took my trusty

camera in hand and set out Halloween weekend in search of the most outrageous parties. The contestants had a chance to win a \$20 gift certificate to CD Alley, who was gracious enough to sponsor the contest.

I set out for my friend's house Friday night to check and see what they had heard of. I couldn't get into the parking lot without being surrounded by people. Overwhelmed by the immense crowd, I had to see where all these people were coming from.

It took me 10 minutes to

reach the apartment of the eventual winner. There had to be at least 200 people there! I looked all around for the guys throwing the party, but to my sheer amazement and joy it was a group of girls that had the cajones to break some laws conducting this party.

It was wild and out of hand, just the way I like it. They really took their apartment complex to a new level. The proud hosts of the party and winners of our Halloween Party of the Year were none other than Lauren Behrends, Wendy Snyder, Misty Ash and Tania

Cruse of apartment 28 in Player's Club.

Honorable mentions go to apartments 105 and 128 for the prodigious outpourings of people and beer, and also to the perpetrator of that really stupid act that resulted in a couple of people going to the hospital.

I'm not going to mention any names and most likely the only people who know what I am talking about were the ones involved. Hey man, I hope you get back what you lost, but jeez, what were you thinking? You could have killed somebody! Best of luck in all you guys'

recovery.

Second place goes to Theta Chi's late night on Saturday night. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend, so I sent my photographer instead. Judging by his pictures and stories, it must have a sight to see.

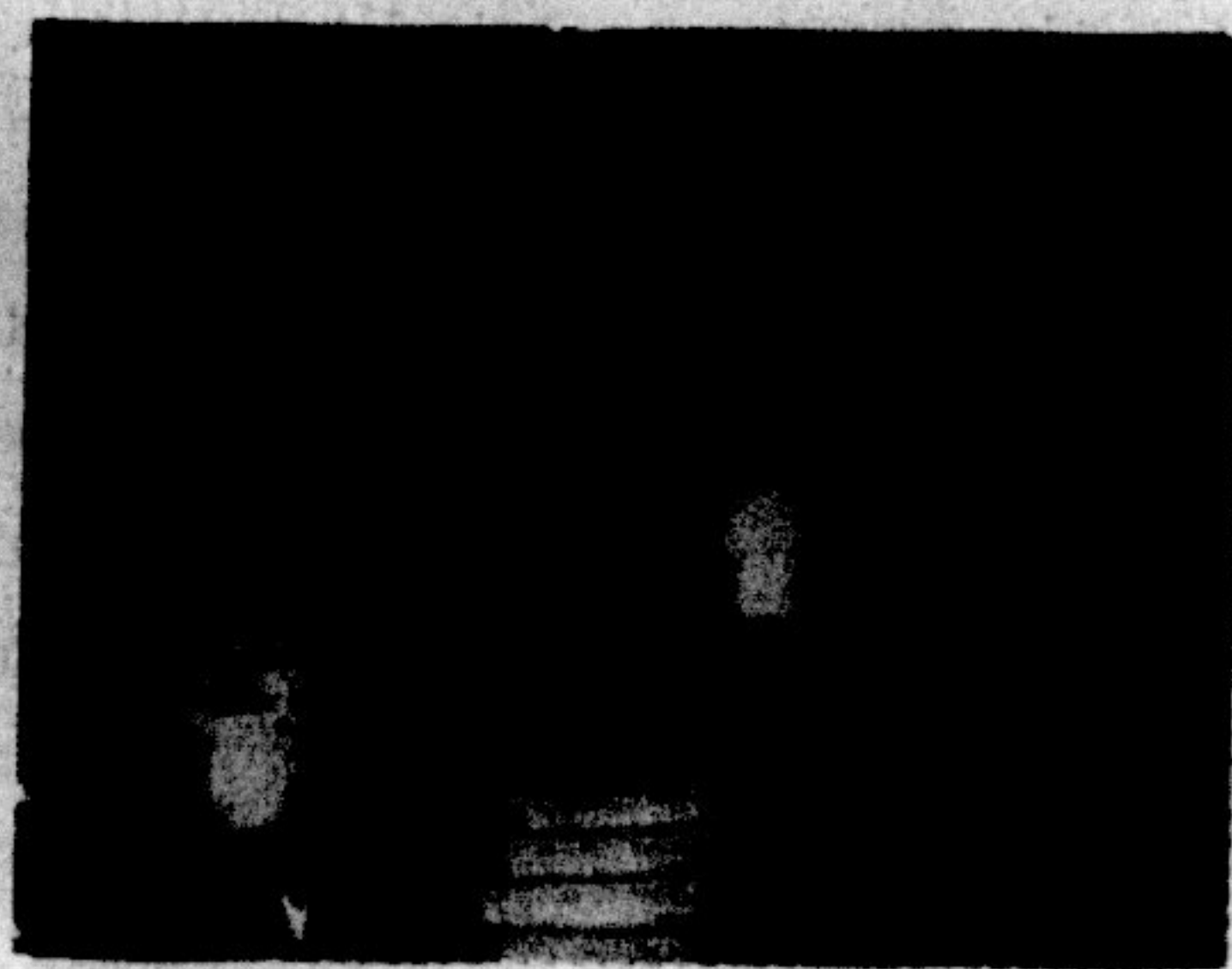
The weekend went off without a hitch and I would like to thank Gil at CD Alley for his great assistance in sponsoring us. You really set it off. Thanks to everyone who participated, and start looking for our future contests.

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All Halloween photos by Patrick McMahon



The Halloween Party of the Year celebrates the holiday the old-fashioned way... BEER!



Everybody get out! The cops are here!



Hey, you! Yeah, you, the one sitting down! How many gallons of Absolut have you had?



Someone get that girl on the right a boyfriend!





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## freshman S.O.S.

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# HEADS WILL ROLL

JOHNNY DEPP

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When the two stars of the new film "The Crow" (R) meet, it's a match made in heaven. Depp, who plays the titular character, and Ricci, who plays the love interest, are both fans of the comic book series. The film is a dark, gritty tale of revenge and redemption, set in a post-apocalyptic world. It's a perfect example of the kind of movie that Depp and Ricci are known for making.



## WHO SHOULD DECIDE HOW YOUR STUDENT REG FEES ARE SPENT?

THE **Big** issue

SURE, WE ALL GRIPE ABOUT TUITION, BUT MOST OF US DON'T take the time to find out exactly where all those miscellaneous fees go. Three law students at the **U. of Wisconsin, Madison**, did take the time, and they didn't like what they found. In fact, they were so pissed off about it, they sued the administration in 1996. Now, their case, *Southworth vs. Grebe*, is headed for the U.S. Supreme Court.

**U. polls on campus:**  
**U. of georgetown**

SHOULD STUDENTS BE ABLE TO DECIDE HOW THEIR REG FEES ARE SPENT?



Hsiang Chang, sophomore

Some students might disagree, but the school has to guarantee freedom of speech to all and thus use the reg fees as they see fit.



Jodie DeSantis, junior

Students should support the right to free speech even if they don't personally agree with the views of certain groups.



Kevin Preis, junior

I believe that students' ideas, beliefs and efforts should be the only thing that drives the agenda of the university.



Tamela Blalock, sophomore

Students should have control over not only their living arrangements and classes, but their money also.

In the case, students Scott Southworth, Amy Schoepke and Keith Bannach — who have since graduated — claim that paying mandatory fees that go toward campus organizations that oppose their ideological or political beliefs is a violation of their free-speech rights. Meanwhile, the university argues that in a college atmosphere of differing viewpoints, all campus groups are entitled to support.

"In order to attend a public university, these students are forced to fund groups who advocate opposing beliefs. I think it's very coercive. If they don't pay these funds, they can't graduate, they can't get their transcripts," says Jordan Lorence, the students' attorney.

So far, the law seems to be siding with the students, who have gotten four more UW students to join the plaintiff list. And in a landmark ruling in August 1998, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit decided the school did not have a "vital policy interest" compelling enough to require a student to pay fees for groups with differing ideologies. Although the court's decision only applies to universities in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, it will probably affect the regulation of student fees at public universities everywhere. Stay tuned.

By Terry Tang, UCLA, Editorial Intern

What do you think about the reg fee debate?  
Answer the poll question at [www.umagazine.com](http://www.umagazine.com) or e-mail [editor@umagazine.com](mailto:editor@umagazine.com)

# Bitch BOX

WHERE YOU CAN BITCH ABOUT WHAT'S BUGGING YOU

My mistake!

Shortly after learning that the Doppler Shift of the stars dated the universe at roughly 15 billion years, I ran into a campus preacher. He informed me that the universe was but several thousand years old. Imagine that! All this time, Ph.D.s from the U. of California, Berkeley, and MIT have spent decades studying and quantifying galactic redshift, radiolotope dating, background radiation, and carbon-14 dating — all for nothing!

It turns out that a finger-pointing Bible-thumper, with no more than an 11th-grade education, has remained one step ahead of the country's nuclear physicists. But campus preachers have to realize that they're not trained scientists. In fact, they're trained in nothing but blind belief.

Campus preachers will *never* convert me, and I doubt they'll convert any other students. How ironic that a preacher who would proudly shout the Christian concept, "narrow is the path to salvation," would do so on a university campus — the very place least likely to endorse a narrow mind. College is a place for us to transcend simple-mindedness — a trait so flamboyantly displayed by preachers.

The campus preachers around the country, narrow themselves, represent the worst part of Christianity: they are loud, offensive, prejudiced, loud and loud. While the campus preachers will never be able to change me into an irrational, thoughtless creature motivated only by a desire to avoid hell, they undeniably serve a unique and desirable purpose on campuses around the country: entertainment. Students would ask them to leave but then what would they do in between classes?

Andrew Knight, MIT, is the author of *At Least in Hell the Christians Won't Harass Me*, available on Amazon.com.



Photo by Robert Terry, U. of California, Berkeley

## U. contributors

Meet students who contributed to this Issue of U.

Kirstin Pesola, Intern — An English major at Loyola Marymount U., Kirstin (she's the one on the right) learned all about investing while drinking Jamba Juice and soaking up rays in L.A. ➤

◀ Matt Sedensky, Writer — A journalism major at

New York U., Matt enjoyed writing about the Nude Olympics, but says he still writes all of his articles fully clothed.

Terry Tang, Intern — An editor at UCLA's *Daily Bruin*, Terry wrote about the big reg fee debate for this issue.

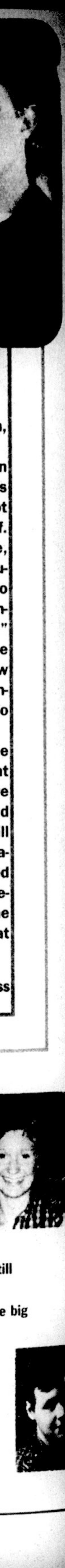
Alexei Othenin-Girard, Intern — After helping judge the top 100 web sites, this UC Berkeley freshman is a real web guru.

Kameron Flynn, Photographer — A materials science and engineering major at Northwestern U., Kameron's also quite the photog (see his photo of the Nugget investment group), and he says he makes a mean peach cobbler, too. ➤

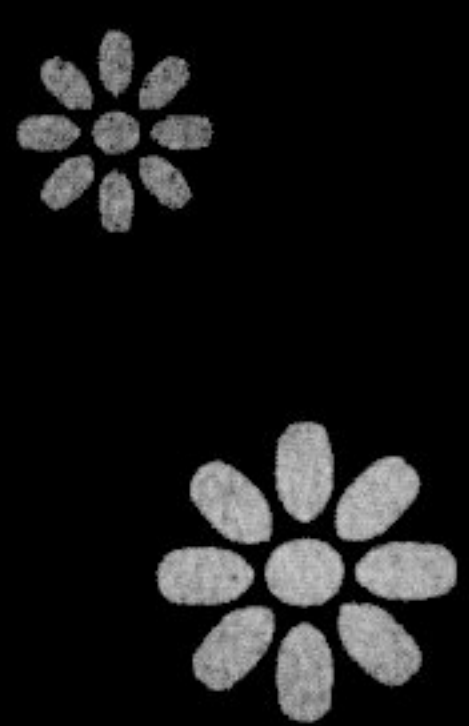
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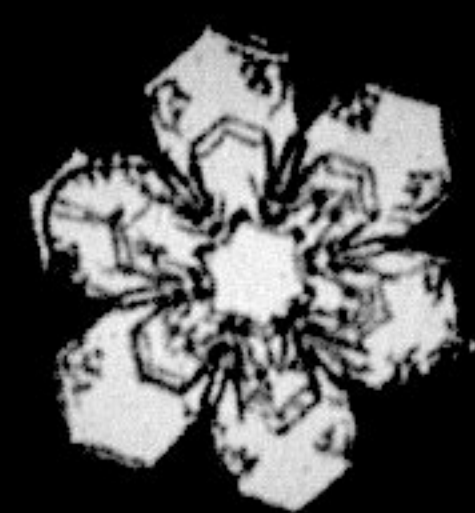
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# U. ENTREPRENEUR

**name:** Matthew Kelley ▶

**college:** Wesleyan U.

**business:** Founder and editor-in-chief of MAVIN, a print and online magazine ([www.mavin.net](http://www.mavin.net)) targeted at college students from mixed-race backgrounds.

**read all about it:** The magazine explores the mixed-race experience through literature, interviews, in-depth articles, fashion layouts, informational resources and an interactive Web site.

**multi-media man:** Matthew, who is of Korean and Caucasian descent, took a year off from school to start the magazine but is returning to Wesleyan this fall as a sophomore.

**mixing it up:** "Too often, discourse on the experiences of mixed race people is coming from the outside," Matthew says. "MAVIN is

written by and for young mixed-race people."

**get in the mix:** If you're interested in contributing to MAVIN as a writer or photographer, or would like a subscription, e-mail MAVIN at [mavin@aa.net](mailto:mavin@aa.net) or call toll-free at (877) 262-8262.

By Lori Lefevre, Boston College • Photos courtesy of MAVIN



In each issue, a U. reader gets subjected to a weird research project.

**lab rat:** Eric Wade, senior, mechanical engineering major

**college:** MIT

**research project:** a study in amino acids and lysine

**length:** two eight-day periods

**pay:** \$610

**lab rat experience:** "All I could eat was 'the pink stuff' — an amino acid drink — and cookies, all issued by the MIT Campus Research Committee. I was given fiber, Tums and other pills for nutrients. Each

meal occurred at a prescribed time. At home, I ate/drank decaffeinated, unsweetened tea or coffee, as well as chicken and beef bouillon cubes. This diet lasted for seven days. On the eighth day, I went to the lab and received a six-hour IV."

If you'd like to be a lab rat, or if you've already been one in a research project, tell us about it, and you could be in a future issue: [editor@umagazine.com](mailto:editor@umagazine.com).

Photo by Chris Mortenson, Pennsylvania State U.



This is what you won't be seeing this year at Princeton.

## PRINCETON BANS NUDE OLYMPICS

**SAY BUH-BYE TO BARE BUTTS AND BOOBS** — a new policy is giving the boot to Princeton U.'s "Nude Olympics," an annual tradition when sophomores run butt nekkid through a campus courtyard at midnight on the day of the school year's first snowfall.

The au naturel event made headlines in January when a number of students were treated for alcohol poisoning and cited for sexual misconduct and other offenses following the rowdy affair. "It was unlike anything I'd ever seen," says Ryan Salvatore, a sophomore and spectator at last year's balls-out celebration.

But Princeton officials had seen it all before and finally opted to ban the bare-ass run, stating that anyone defying the rule will be stripped of their education in the form of a one-year suspension. "I believe we can no longer tolerate the risks that it has come to pose to our students. I am simply not willing to wait until a student dies before taking preventive action," says the big cheese at Princeton, president Harold Shapiro.

Ryan, who was considering dropping trow for this year's event, doesn't think they're bluffing. "I definitely think it'll be enforced," he says of the suspension policy. Looks like students will have to just grin and, um, "bare" it.

By Matt Sedensky, New York U.

## THE BEST COLLEGE CARTOONISTS REVEALED

wanna get ■  
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searched?

**MOVE OVER GARRY TRUDEAU.** HERE COME STEPHEN Emond (Middlesex Community Technical College), Jacob M. Lightbody (Orange Coast College) and Brett Schroeder (Ringling School of Art and Design). Don't know who they are? You will. These students are only some of the college cartoonists featured in *Strip Search: Revealing Today's Best College*

*Cartoonists* (Andrews McMeel Publishing, \$9.95). If you're looking for a little I.o.I. college humor, sneak a peek at this strip tease.



COPYING DOWNLOADS FOR FRIENDS? GET OUT YOUR CHECKBOOK



# webPirate

COPYING DOWNLOADS FOR FRIENDS? GET OUT YOUR CHECKBOOK

THE COST OF COLLEGE LIFE JUST KEEPS ON CLIMBING. Just ask U. of Oregon senior Jeffrey Levy, who pleaded guilty to federal charges of distributing thousands of copyrighted songs, movie clips and software programs through his campus computer connection on August 20. Levy could now face up to three years behind bars and, get this, \$250,000 in fines. That's right, \$250,000. And you thought student loans were bad.

At one point, Levy was passing the equivalent of about 250 full-length MP3 songs over the school network every hour. University officials noticed the hefty load of data going through Levy's site and contacted law enforcement officials.

It seems that Levy, a public policy management major, hadn't been keeping up with current Congressional policies on copyright infringement. The No Electronic Theft (NET) Act, passed by Congress in 1997 under heavy pressure from the music and software industries, makes distribution of copyrighted material illegal even when there's no profit involved. So, even though Levy wasn't charging any money for access to his site, he's going to have to pay up big-time.

And surprisingly, students aren't rushing out to support the web pirate. "If it was my program or music that someone was giving out for free, I'd want some type of retribution," says Mitch Hochhauser, a sophomore at Syracuse U. "But for a college student who wasn't making any money, jail time is too much. A large fine would leave any student hurting for a long time." Ouch!

By David Konopka, Syracuse U. • Illustration by Mike Hollingsworth, Santa Monica Junior College



# click POLICE

ONLINE? YOUR COLLEGE MAY BE WATCHING

IMAGINE GOING TO A COLLEGE WHERE EVERYTHING you did was monitored for good taste. Now add a computer to the hypothetical. What do you get? Acceptable Use Policies. Some schools are instituting these policies to limit how we use the Web and to make sure we act responsibly, ethically and lawfully — guess they don't trust us to do that on our own.

The new emphasis on the dos and don'ts of computer use on campus stems from changing technologies. A few years ago, we couldn't download MP3s on the web. And we certainly couldn't view high-quality video or download large software programs instantly. Fast university connections have made it easy to download mondo files and hard to police — those pesky administrators can look over our shoulders in public places like computer labs and libraries, but it's almost impossible to keep an eye on us in our dorm rooms. But that's not stopping them — many campuses are squelching the download mania by limiting bandwidth. Leigh Chodos, a Boston U. senior and computer lab T.A., says, "Our server limits downloads on our connection to 2MBs, which isn't large enough to download MP3s or large software programs."

Other common computer don'ts: e-mail spamming and viewing pages that might harass others. And the U. of Georgia takes an anti-entrepreneurial policy by forbidding advertising on personal pages hosted by the university. If you're the next Bill Gates, you'd better check to make sure your college doesn't crash your computer use.

By Ken Morico, U. of Connecticut • Illustration by Mabel Andrea Lara, Brigham Young U.



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# interns wanted



This could be your summer of 2000.

SOUND TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE? NOT FOR JANA PETROSINI, A BOSTON U. GRAD. YEP, WHILE THE REST OF US were schlepping coffee and making copies during our summer internships, Jana was schmoozing with celebs at The Cannes Film Festival. Talk about cool, Jana did an unpaid PR internship for the American Pavillon, working with a variety of people in the film industry, like actors, directors, production assistants and the media. The advertising major describes the frenzy of press conferences and panels with the likes of Spike Lee, Ron Howard and Hugh Hefner as "a slight L.A. would relish." Jana mainly assisted a well-known publicist, but she says other interns had it easier: "A select few of our peers were invited to the Riviera with no other job requirement than to 'schmooze.' This word became our manifesto at the festival. It's the only way to gain access to parties." And what about the celebs — Val Kilmer, Jon Bon Jovi, Kirsten Dunst, Salma Hayek, Heather Graham, Mike Myers and others? Jana says, "Most were extremely friendly and nice, with the exception of one who will remain anonymous, and probably intoxicated."

By Ken Morico, U. of Connecticut

If you want to say "oui, oui" to next year's internship program in Cannes, get an app by calling (310) 837-0183 or go to [www.ampav.com](http://www.ampav.com). Deadline for apps is February 15, 2000.



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## top web sites

### for college students

When we here at *U. Magazine* started getting press releases on a daily basis from new web sites geared to us college students, we weren't sure which ones were worth telling you about and which ones were just corporate America's way of getting us to fork over more cash. So we decided to check 'em out to find out which sites were worth bookmarking. We went to students all around the country to help us root out and judge the best sites. The criteria? We won't give you our secret ranking formula, but we will say that the sites had to be useful to college students and specifically geared to students. And even though we may sound more like downloading MP3s and searching for celeb gossip than doing our homework, we didn't include sites like that because they aren't college specific. So, here, after hours of clicking, clicking and more clicking is our first annual list of the top 100 web sites for college students. Of course, we admit that we may have missed your fave, and if we did, you can tell us about it at [www.college.com](http://www.college.com) and maybe we'll include it in next year's list.



# 100 top web sites for college students

## summary sites

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With about 50 colleges on its roster so far, this 100% student-driven site which launched in July 1999 lets you express your viewpoint on everything from your school's professors and politics to music and the local nightclub scene.

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If they had to choose from the following items, students could most easily live without:

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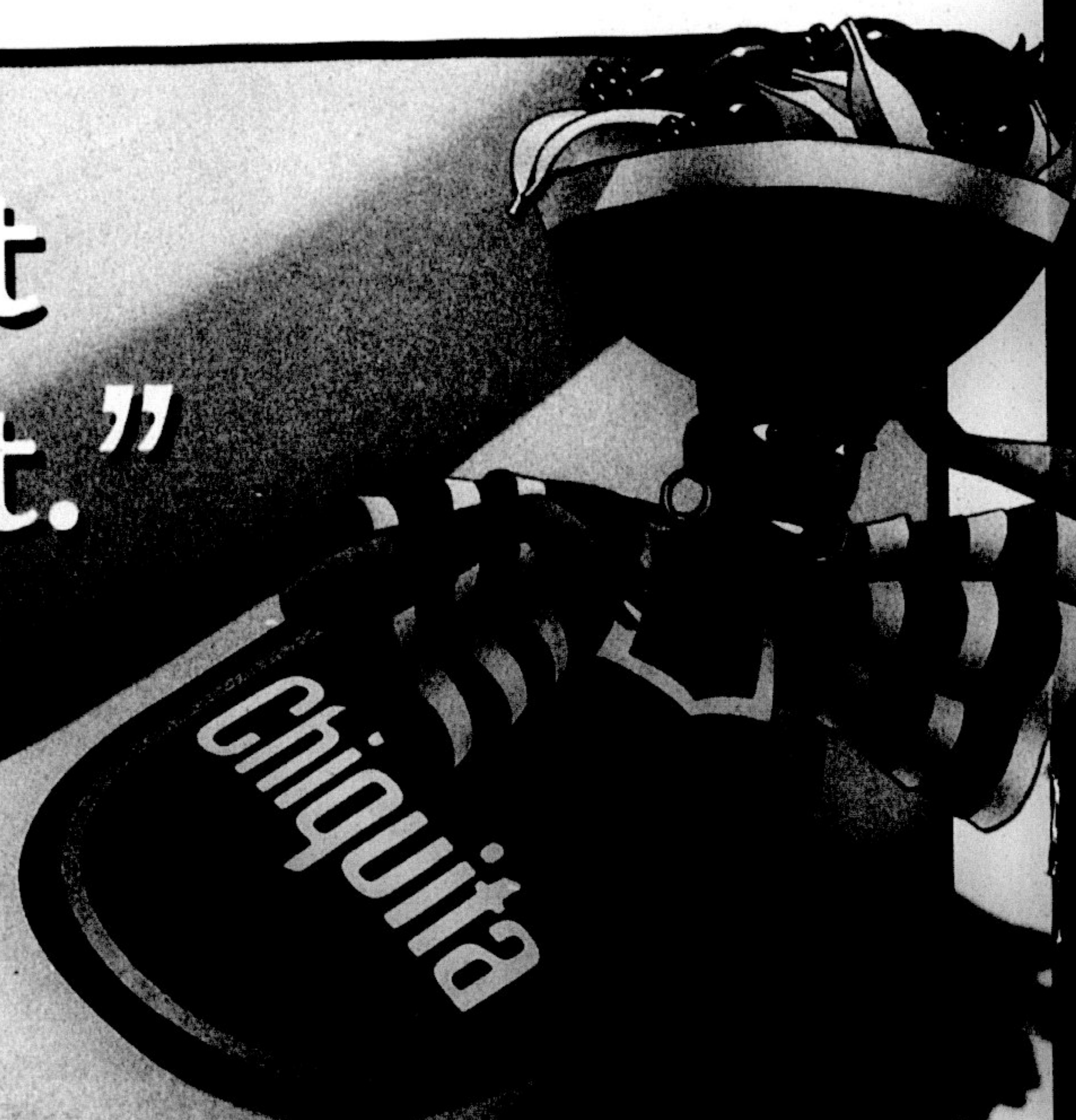
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Wanna try? We did, so we scouted out the biggest online textbook sellers and started clicking. First, we picked one of the most common books on those required reading lists — the Norton Anthology of English Literature — and then set out to purchase this same book on each of the web sites to compare prices, shipping fees, shipping time, return policies, etc. Admittedly, doing this kind of comparison shopping took longer than your average visit to the campus bookstore, but we did all the work so you won't have to. Here's what we found.

**Cheapest Total Price:** Bigwords — \$30.85

**Fastest Delivery (without paying extra):** VarsityBooks — 3 days

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**Best Freebie with Purchase:** EForlett — highlighter

**Best Book-Searching Tools:** VarsityBooks

**Best Buyback Value:** textbooks.com

**Best Rebate/Referral Program:** Bigwords — Refer friends and get a 5 percent credit on their purchases.

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# CHEVY CAVALIER



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# 100 top web sites for college students

**CyberEdit.com**  
[www.cyberedit.com](http://www.cyberedit.com)

Use this site to edit and write essays, letters, resumes, term papers and admissions essays. In addition, a translation service will convert papers into other languages. Prices vary from \$20.00 to several hundred dollars. "They have many examples of essays and how their editing service would work to improve them." — Kelly Knecht, Wake Forest U.

**MyEssay.com**  
[www.myessay.com](http://www.myessay.com)

Check out workshops and tips to help you write those essays for grad school applications. You can also get e-mail reminders about important test and application deadlines and newly-released essay questions — for a price, of course.

**AdmissionsEssay.com**  
[www.admissionsessay.com](http://www.admissionsessay.com)

Fill out the comprehensive client questionnaire, and let them help you write or rewrite your essays using the answers and personal information you have supplied. One thing though — it's pricey.

## discount sites

**#1 Free Stuff**

[www.1freestuff.com](http://www.1freestuff.com)

Find out who's giving away soap, toothpaste, even lingerie on this site started by a U. of Maryland student.

**Memolink.com**  
[www.memolink.com](http://www.memolink.com)

This site gives out points for cash, coupons, certificates and free long distance just for clicking on web sites. Participate in surveys (see e-polls).

**TheStudentSaver.com**  
[www.student-saver.com](http://www.student-saver.com)

Save money, win free stuff. What could be better?

**eCollegebid**

[www.ecollegebid.org](http://www.ecollegebid.org)  
Transferring schools? Bid on how much money you're willing to pay per academic year and see if a college will accept the bid.

## gay students

**The Day of Silence Project**  
[www.dayofsilence.org/dayofsilence/](http://www.dayofsilence.org/dayofsilence/)

"This is a great way for people to have a visible, peaceful, moving event on campus that really gets a message across. This site has all the basics of how to get Day of Silence to work on your campus." — David Greenblatt, U. of California, Berkeley

**National Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Student Caucus**  
[www.nlsbcaucus.org/links/caucus/nlgbt.html](http://www.nlsbcaucus.org/links/caucus/nlgbt.html)

Check out really good links and contact info for gay students.

**Go! Proud!**

[www.goiproud.com/goiproud/](http://www.goiproud.com/goiproud/)  
Lots of info, message boards, school resources, links and more for queer youth.

**University LGBT Programs**

[www.universitylgbtprograms.org/universitylgbt.html](http://www.universitylgbtprograms.org/universitylgbt.html)  
Links to college sites that address LGBT issues.

## essay sites

**FANonly**

[www.fanonly.com](http://www.fanonly.com)  
Chat about college sports and make your own pick.

**CampusMonster.com**  
[www.campusmonster.com](http://www.campusmonster.com)

Buy or trade tickets for colleges sporting events.

**CollegeSportsNews.com**  
[www.collegesportsnews.com](http://www.collegesportsnews.com)

All college sports news all the time.

**Total College Sports Network**  
[www.totalsportsnetwork.com](http://www.totalsportsnetwork.com)

Get stats, scores, conference info and team merchandise.

## grad schools

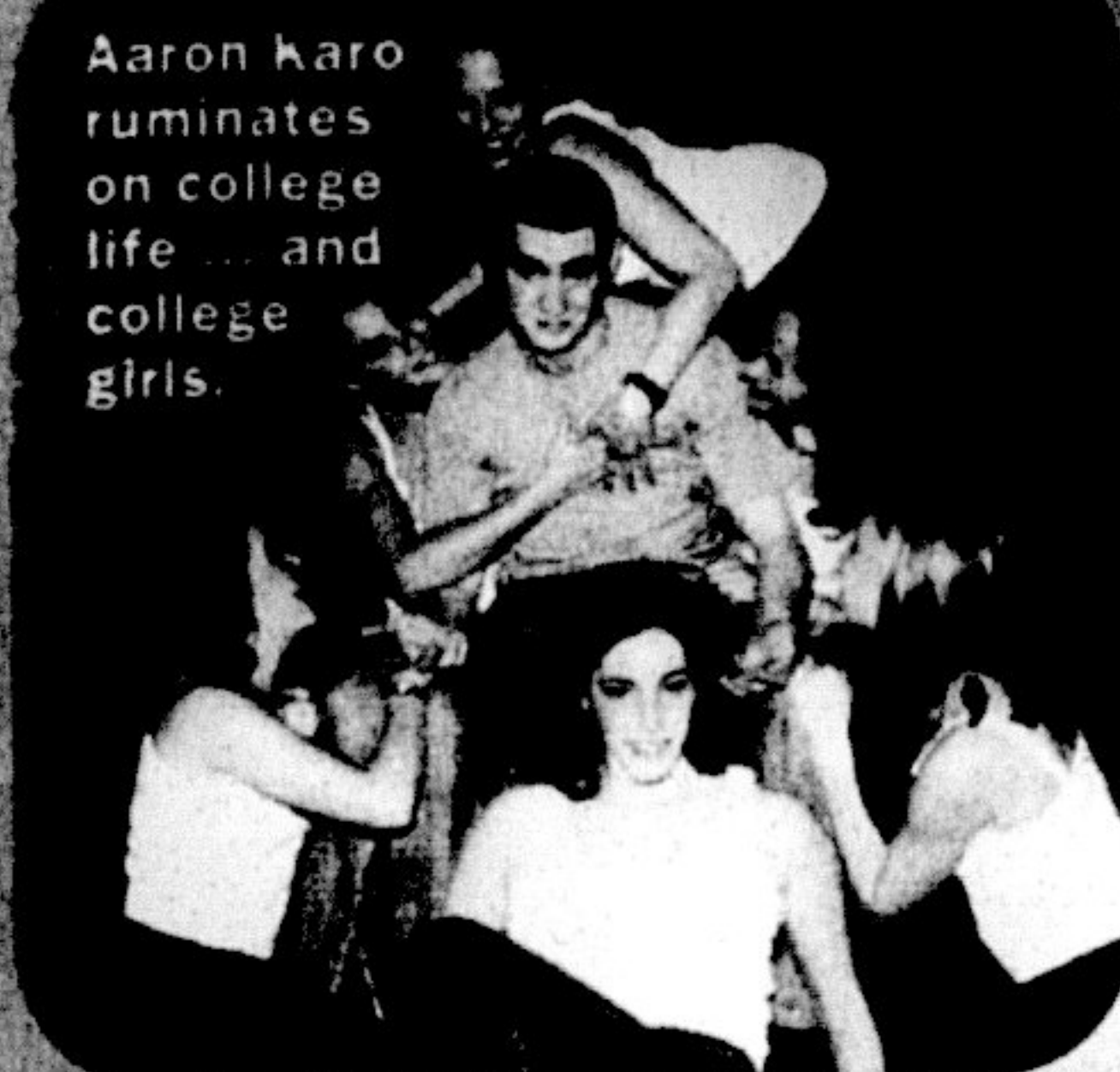
**Kaplan**  
[www.kaplan.com](http://www.kaplan.com)

"The authority for grad-school research. Provides a roadmap for the entire application process." — Oswald Rosal, U. of Miami

**Petersons.com**  
[www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com)

"Get the 411 on all aspects of grad school from national ranking to financial aid issues." — Oswald Rosal, U. of Miami

Aaron Karo  
ruminates  
on college  
life ... and  
college  
girls.



## deep thoughts

### TOP 100 SPOTLIGHT

**night owl:** When U. of Pennsylvania sophomore Aaron Karo can't get any shut-eye, he writes down the random thoughts keeping him from catching zzz's and e-mails them to people. And they love it.

**think about that:** Two years after he e-mailed his initial issue to 20 friends, Aaron's *Ruminations on College Life* — on subjects ranging from class readings to hook-ups to things that piss him off — has a direct e-mail circulation of more than 7,500 subscribers, and his Web site received more than 34,000 hits last year. *Ruminations* has even gotten the attention of readers from as far away as Finland and Japan. • **money matters:** Aaron has started selling ads on the site and sells the content to various companies that market to college students. "But I still do it for the love," Aaron says. • **check it out:** For a free subscription to *Ruminations on College Life* ([futures.wharton.upenn.edu/~aaronkar](http://futures.wharton.upenn.edu/~aaronkar)), e-mail Aaron at [aaronkar@wharton.upenn.edu](mailto:aaronkar@wharton.upenn.edu). • **ruminate on this:** "Why do people feel the need to take their shoes off while taking a test or studying?" • **ruminate on this:** "College life is like a f---ed-up spin cycle: Sleep, Beer, Eat, Work (a little), Beer, repeat as necessary." • **ruminate on this:** "Why are the last few days before you leave for college when you run around trying to see everyone you didn't bother to hang out with the whole summer?" • **ruminate on this:** "In many ways, going to class is like Sea World. If you choose to sit in the first two rows, you know you are going to get called on. That's the splash zone."

**4GraduateSchools.com**  
[www.4graduate-schools.com](http://www.4graduate-schools.com)

The one-stop site to grad school that answers all the questions an applicant can conceive. Easy to navigate, and maintained for the sole benefit of the student.

**GradStudents**  
[www.gradstudents.com](http://www.gradstudents.com)

The perfect starting point for the future M.D.

## e-poll

Percentage of students who have purchased textbooks online: 14%  
Source: U. poll conducted on Memolink.com

## travel

**Travelocity.com**  
[www.travelocity.com](http://www.travelocity.com)

Compare travel fares and services from Travelocity and other travel sites.

**4SpringBreak.com**  
[www.4springbreak.com](http://www.4springbreak.com)

This site offers information about favorite vacation locales, as well as how to find the best price on travel and accommodation. Chat rooms and travel tips are also available.

**College Tours**  
[www.collegetours.com](http://www.collegetours.com)

This site describes and details spring break trips to places like Cancun and Acapulco. It also provides links to make planning the trip that much easier.

**Council Travel**  
[www.counciltravel.com](http://www.counciltravel.com)

Excellent student travel resource offering reduced airfares, rail passes and accommodations. Students can also purchase International Student ID cards and travel equipment from the site. Also includes special sections for "easy vacations," studying abroad and working abroad.

**Surf & Sun Tours**  
[www.surfsuntours.com](http://www.surfsuntours.com)

If you're looking for a spring break getaway, visit here for all-inclusive package deals.

## jobs

**JobWeb**  
[www.jobweb.org/search/index](http://www.jobweb.org/search/index)

"This sight provides the prospective employer with your updated profile, while offering an array of opportunities at the click of a mouse." — Oswald Rosal, U. of Miami

**4Work.com**  
[www.4work.com](http://www.4work.com)

Whether you're looking for that first real job, a part-time gig or an internship, this site takes the grunt out of job searching.

**CollegeHire.com**  
[www.collegehire.com](http://www.collegehire.com)

This online recruiter for high-tech college students really does the job.

**Cool Works**  
[www.coolworks.com](http://www.coolworks.com)

The perfect site for those searching for seasonal employment from the Black Diamond runs in the West to the junior campsites of the Carolinas.

**CampusCareerCenter.com**  
[www.campuscareercenter.com](http://www.campuscareercenter.com)

This sight provides message boards domestically and abroad, allowing the applicants profile a greater reach and visibility.

**BridgePath.com**  
[www.bridgepath.com](http://www.bridgepath.com)

More than 800 colleges use this site, which assumes that you're starting the job process with no prior knowledge." — Danielle Thwing, U. of Maryland

**The Job Resource**  
[www.jobresource.com](http://www.jobresource.com)

Free to students, you can post your resume, search for jobs by region or category or link to other career sites.

## college entrepreneurs

**GoXtremeUp**  
[www.goxtremep.com](http://www.goxtremep.com)

Get 100 percent young entrepreneur profiles and tips on starting your own business.

## shopping

## sports

OnCampus.com  
[www.oncampus.com](http://www.oncampus.com)  
Rebate site

StudentBazaar.com  
[www.studentbazaar.com](http://www.studentbazaar.com)  
Shop 'til you're broke magazine

Edu.com  
[www.edu.com](http://www.edu.com)  
E-commerce value on products like Microsoft. All smart purchase advice is sold M. Knecht

## e-zine

A new website. The site also ways to earn

The Onion  
[www.theonion.com](http://www.theonion.com)  
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## crime on campus

OnCampus.com  
www.oncampus.com  
Rebate site for students. Be a shopper.

StudentPlanet.com  
www.studentplanet.com  
Shop 'til you drop. From furniture, papers, student loans, magazine subscriptions and more in this online catalog.

Edu.com  
www.edu.com  
E-commerce site gives college students the best-in-market value on products from brand name companies like Microsoft, AT&T, IBM and Sony so students can make smart purchasing decisions. "The discounts are deep the advice is solid, and it's all strictly for students." — David M. Konopka, Syracuse U.

## e-zines

StudentPlanet.com  
www.studentplanet.com  
A new website of a satirical news magazine for college students. The site also serves as an info source about free goodies and ways to earn cash and to make students laugh out loud.

The Onion  
www.theonion.com  
All the news you won't find in your campus paper. You'll bust a gut reading this newspaper parody.

Vengeful Buddha  
www.vbuddha.com  
Chuckle at Hemlock College's ongoing web-parody about a no-talent college rock band. "Hey it's those guys with beards that smell bad and live in communes just off-campus, I know them. This site takes mocking Phish to a whole new level." — David M. Konopka, Syracuse U.

Curious about your school? Take a look at any of 200 schools. There's also a list of schools for students with specific interests.

StudentAuction.com  
www.studentauction.com  
Buy or sell stuff to the highest bidder at your school or at other schools around the nation. A new site, this auction will be even better once more students know about it.

## e-poll

16% of students used the Internet for the first time in 1993 or earlier.  
Source: U. poll conducted on Memolink.com

Scholarship Resource Network Express  
www.srn.com/srn/  
This search engine database of private scholarships produces a huge list of potential scholarships instantly, and it's free.

FastWeb.com  
www.fastweb.com  
This site offers a free scholarship search along with other resources for college students, from application advice to online textbook company links.

2001 Colleges, College Scholarships and Financial Aid  
www.college-scholarships.com/  
Students in the application stage will get the most out of this site, but links to scholarship searches are great for everyone.

## auctions

## college scholarships

## financial aid sites

FAVORITE Financial  
www.favoritefinancial.com  
This site offers a variety of financial aid resources, including a list of schools that offer need-based aid, a list of schools that offer merit-based aid, and a list of schools that offer both.

Circle Financial  
www.circlefinancial.com  
This is a website for all of us who don't know anything about financial aid or getting a loan — a website that is understandable and thorough.

SallieMae  
www.salliemae.org  
You can actually process student loans on this site, which has areas for transfer students, new students and more. It's the 'rents.

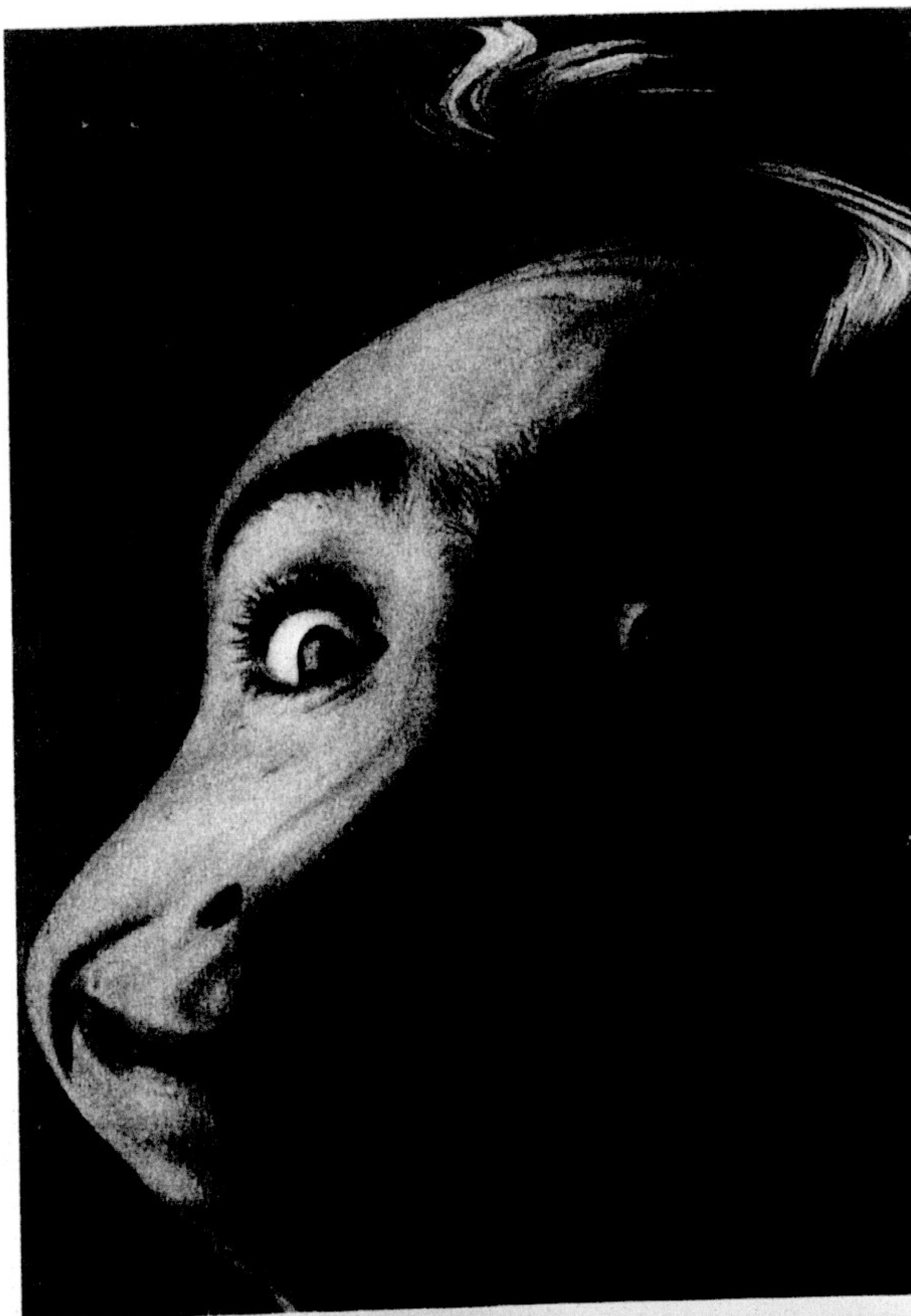
NellisMae  
www.nellismae.org  
Pre-qualifies you for a student loan in 10 minutes and recommends a loan suited to your needs. You can also check on the status of a loan.

EStudentLoan.com  
www.estudentloan.com  
Get all the usual financial advice plus info on alternative loans and a LoanFinder that'll find the right loan for you from 40-plus programs.

Statistics,  
Linear Algebra,  
Calculus,  
Algebra,  
Trigonometry,  
Differential  
Equations,  
Engineering

GET IT  
STRAIGHT.  
KEEP IT  
STRAIGHT.

TI GRAPHING  
CALCULATORS



Are college math and engineering throwing you a curve? TI Graphing Calculators may be the answer. Our Flash technology innovation allows you to expand and enhance your calculator's performance. Even better, our web site opens up a whole new range of possibilities for your calculator. Sign up to receive e-mails about the hottest new product and software updates. Visit on-line discussion groups for the latest info about TI technologies. Or download any number of software applications that will extend the usage of your calculator beyond math and engineering. TI Graphing Calculators. Upgradable, and best of all, affordable. Why not let one figure in your college education? Get it straight about the TI Graphing

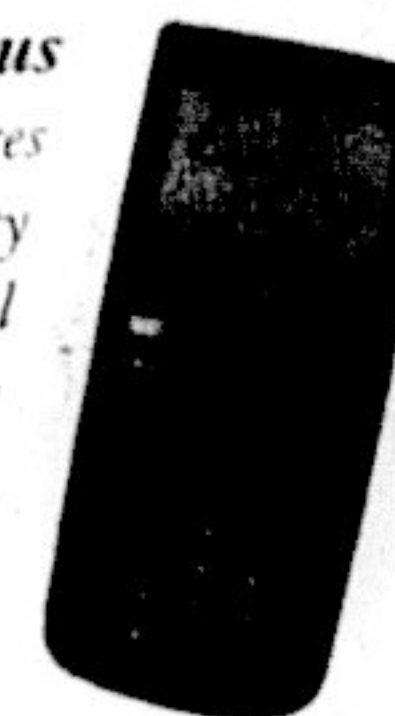
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### Human Football Tour Dates



Our favorite vampire slayer is currently kicking some college ass at the fictitious UC Sunnydale, and we couldn't be happier about that. But it also made us wonder what a vampire slayer's college application might look like. Here's our take on what college admissions officers might have received from Buffy Summers.



SUMMERS, BUFFY

## UC SUNNYDALE COLLEGE APPLICATION

### NAME

**BUFFY SUMMERS**

### PERSONAL ESSAY

**Tell us about an influential person in your life and how that person has affected you.**

I met the love of my life in high school. His name is Angel, and he taught me that even though some guys are pretty cold-blooded — corpse-like even — and scared to be seen with you in broad daylight, it doesn't mean that they are all bad. Angel was my soul mate. Until he lost his soul, that is. He was sweet and caring until the night of my 17th birthday. That's the night we took our relationship to the next level. I've heard of guys becoming distant and detached after sex, but Angel took it to the extreme. He turned into a real monster. And then came the excuses: he was cursed by a gypsy's spell, he could never experience one moment of pure bliss, the lines just kept on coming. I think he was freaked out by the whole commitment thing. I learned that no matter how much you love someone, some relationships just aren't healthy. So I drove a stake into his heart.

### DESCRIBE SOME OF YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

I'm a real leader around Sunnydale. I ran for prom queen, but my senior prom happened to fall on the same night as Slayer Feast '99. Instead of fighting for the crown, I ended up fighting for my life. I also organized the entire senior class to destroy a 700-foot serpent, halt the evil mayor's ascension and stop the end of the world on graduation day.

### WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL?

I'm really going to miss my fellow students. They've taught me a lot about life. Time and time again, they've proven that appearances mean nothing. Ampata appeared to be a sweet, Peruvian exchange student, but then she tried to drain the life out of Xander. The swim team looked like hotties in their Speedos, but turned out to be fish monsters. Faith, a fellow slayer, seemed like a friend I could really relate to until she sided with the evil mayor and tried to kill me before the senior ball, that is. And who would have ever thought I would become friends with Cordelia?

### WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO ABOUT COLLEGE?

I feel that over the past four years in high school I've killed a lot of evil spirits — werewolves, seamonsters, warlocks and the run-of-the-mill vampires, to name a few. Fighting the same old demons day in and day out can get so boring. I try to challenge myself by wearing stacked heels and tight skirts, but it's become so mundane. As a slayer, I feel I've done everything I can here at Sunnydale High, and I'm hoping college has more to offer.

### WHAT WOULD BE YOUR DREAM CLASS SCHEDULE?

**List four classes you would most want to take.**

Count Dracula to Drusilla: Vampires on the Big Screen  
Anatomy of the Undead: Stake 'em Where it Counts  
Phys Ed: Kickboxing in Tall Boots and Short Skirts  
Sarcasm and Slaying: Nailing the Come-Back Before the Kill

### PLEASE SUBMIT TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

#### To Whom It May Concern:

If colleges aim to teach acceptance, tolerance and open-mindedness, wouldn't the ideal student possess all of the above? Then Buffy Summers is your girl.

For example, take a look at her circle of friends. One's a witch, and one's a lost soul who's more than 400 years old and is in need of some serious orthodontia. And I can be a real beast around that time of the month.

Second, Buffy always puts others first and herself last. If a fellow student is in danger, Buffy will brave the perils of hell to protect him or her. Sorry to cut this short, but I see a full moon rising off in my eye.

Respectfully,

#### To Whom It May Concern:

It's safe to say this town wouldn't be the same without Buffy Summers. Without Buffy, we would see corpses walking the streets and demons sucking the innocence out of our town. Do we really want to see Sunnydale become another L.A.?

I wouldn't be the same without Buffy, either. She's been a true friend, always coaxing me to explore my talents. Without Buffy's encouragement, I probably never would have learned that the magic potion for finding love — or a vampire's soul — is only a few herbs and rat hairs away. Wait a minute, why am I writing this letter? It's admit-Buffy-to-college spell time.

Sincerely,  
Willow Rosenberg





It's Friday. You've spent 20 hours of the last week elbow deep in soap suds and cafeteria trays. You pick up your paycheck. It's peanuts. But hey, you're a college student. **Low-paying jobs** are a pre-req, right? Thousands of students are proving that theory wrong every day. They've taken the bull by the horns and leapt on the back of today's booming stock market. And while you're earning peanuts, they're feasting on some high-quality cashews. Some of them, anyway. Like any investment, stock trading is a risky business. But with a lot of research, a little cash and a tiny click of the mouse, you very well may be on the way to **profit**.

### 5 tips on starting an investment club

Selena Maranjian offers suggestions in her book, *Investment Clubs: How to Start and Run One the Motley Fool Way*.

1. Talk to students to find out who's fired up about investing.
2. Look for students with a variety of interests. "Pre-med students might help study pharmaceutical companies; business students might be well-versed in the retail industry," she says.
3. Hold a preliminary meeting to gauge member commitment.
4. Divide the work so club members research different topics.
5. Don't invest together right away. "Collecting and recordkeeping can get complicated, so start a club that learns, researches and discusses companies together, but stops short of pooling money."



Photo by Kameron Flynn, Northwestern U.

### the nugget investment group

**school:** Northwestern U.

**getting started:** In 1997, a group of Northwestern students formed the club to learn about money and how to make more of it.

**site:** [www.thenugget.com](http://www.thenugget.com)

**clubperks:** "You can buy a lot more stocks than you could on your own

because you can pool more money together," says club member Jason Waugh, a junior.

**money talks:** The group has made an impressive 25-percent annual return on their investment.

**picking stocks:** Students research stocks and vote on which ones to buy or sell, then do their trading online through E\*trade ([www.etrade.com](http://www.etrade.com)).

**hot stocks:** Microsoft, Coke, Disney and "products you use on an everyday basis."

# SHOWING THE MONEY

you don't have to be rich to invest





"Everyone thinks it's people with their MBAs who are investing, but the concept is basic and anyone can do it."

ALAN SMOLINISKY, USC



But there's a catch: The investment business is full of a lot of bad news, but hey, you can turn those bad news stories into winning money. Investors check market news, but they also check the news about the market. For example, the Wall Street Journal has a section called "Market Watch" that lists the top 100 companies. Smolinisky says that's a good place to start. "If you're looking for a company to invest in, look for a company that's been in the market for a long time," he says. "If you're looking for a company to invest in, look for a company that's been in the market for a long time." The Wall Street Journal is loaded with tips and tricks for investors. "If you're looking for a company to invest in, look for a company that's been in the market for a long time," he says. "If you're looking for a company to invest in, look for a company that's been in the market for a long time."

Once you get the bugs down, start researching the companies you're thinking about investing in. It sounds a lot like school, but remember — this homework can earn more than just good grades.

As for the starter cash, don't worry. You don't have to be a rich kid to start investing now. In recent years, online trading has made getting hooked in the stock market easier — and cheaper. Instead of going to a stockbroker and paying a couple hundred dollars for a trade, you can do it on your computer for \$15.

Sound too good to be true? Well, it can be if you're not prepared to roll with the big bulls, says Alan Smolinisky, a sophomore at the U. of Southern California, who has been investing since he was 17. "The Internet is dangerous because you might not know what you're doing and you can lose money," Alan warns.

## Join the club

That said, you might not have the cash or the cajones to plunge into the stock market on your own, so think about joining a campus investment club. Northwestern U. has The Nugget Investment Group; your school might have one, too.

If not, starting your own is simple. For a small fee, the National Association of Investors Corp. (NAIC) will give you all the paperwork needed to start an investment club. You can also download starter documents from The Nugget Web site. So what are you waiting for? Finish that campus job and do your best Cuba Gooding Jr. imitation: It's time somebody showed you the money.

By Kirstin Pesola, Loyola Marymount U.  
Photos by Andrew Lyon, UCLA



"For about eight years, the stock market has been going up almost nonstop. \$24 trillion of wealth has been created in the last eight years alone."

JAY LIEBOWITZ, U. OF PENNSYLVANIA

"Look at past performances of stocks, read as much as possible, learn about economics and get a good background on businesses."

JOSHUA KAGAN,  
WESLEYAN U.



"In a personal finance class, we had to mock invest \$20,000, so I got a pretty good background. I don't invest money now, but I plan on it in the future."

LEE SHENLODIAN, U. OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

rich to invest in the stock market



"IN A COUPLE OF YEARS IT WON'T JUST BE DAVID BOWIE OUT THERE LIKE A Fruit Loop being Captain Internet," says Warner Bros. recording artist Jude, who predicts that artists will soon be using the Internet to expand both their fan base and their creative potential. Jude is part of the all-college MP3 tour which is currently trekking across the country, spreading the word about the musical power of the Web. Also on board are less-than-techno-savvy rockers The Goo Goo Dolls. Bassist Robby Takac admits that he and the rest of the Goos have been "slow moving into computers," but adds that "the availability of people being able to receive things directly into their homes is going to make some changes in the music industry, so when [MP3] approached us about this tour, we thought it would be a pretty good way of getting involved with it early on." The tour, which has already passed through colleges like the U. of Illinois, Penn State U., Temple U. and the U. of Florida, will continue through the new millennium. The revolution, these artists predict, has only just begun.

For the full interview with Robby Takac, see [www.umagazine.com](http://www.umagazine.com).  
By Brian Conant, Illinois State U.



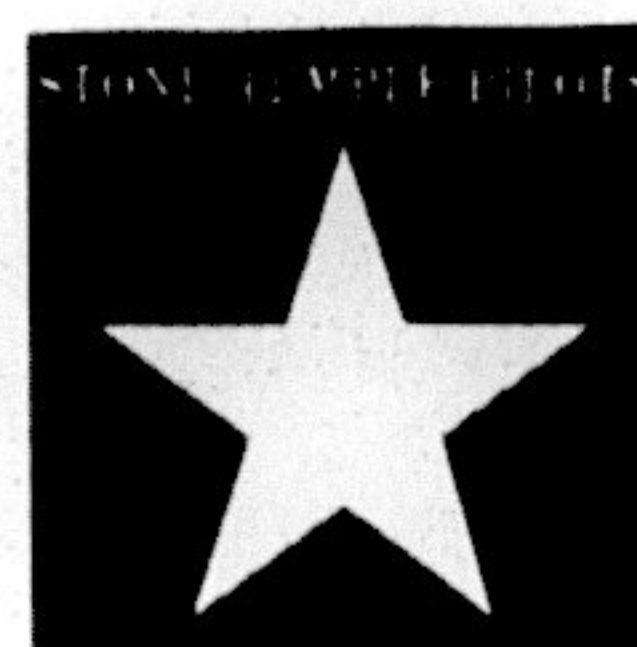
THE NEW LIVE ALBUM COMES AT YOU LIKE A RIP TIDE — it washes you out, drags you under and never lets you up for air. Sounds pretty ominous, but when you consider the lyrical content of *Distance to Here*, Live's fourth LP, you realize the album actually has a massively positive message. Just ask Ed Kowalczyk, the band's eccentric and compassionate frontman. He says the new record is all about being more positive and loving — a message he says makes the new record unique and worthwhile, especially to America's youth. "I think we're on the cusp of being able to incarnate a powerful group of people who combine intelligence, love and compassion for the world. But I think we need more and more art — even more rock 'n' roll — to create a soundtrack for moving on in love and in positivity." Not only does Kowalczyk talk the talk, but he'll walk the walk with his upcoming tour which will bring his soundtrack of positive love vibes to college venues. "It's important to us with this fall U.S. tour to reintegrate with our fans on a real basic level and that takes place in smaller venues," he says. "It's really important for us to get out there and see people face to face with this record." — BC

For the full interview with Ed Kowalczyk, see [www.umagazine.com](http://www.umagazine.com).

## goo goo dolls

### cd reviews

Fiona Apple / *When the Pawn ...* / Epic Records The title to Fiona Apple's new CD is 90 words long (we counted twice). Though it seems impractical, there is a subtle brilliance in the title poem that precedes the young siren's sophomore (not sophomore) collection. The new CD isn't short on Apple's trademark abrasive, emotional lyricism, but this time around her outpouring is matched with equal parts of producer Jon Brion's eclectic instrumentation — which incorporates everything from synthesizers to a Wurlitzer. The result is a record that, like all good poetry, is both controlled and ambiguous. — BC Grade: A



Stone Temple Pilots / *No. 4* / Atlantic Records STP frontman Scott Weiland's drug addiction currently has him behind bars, and in 1996 it cost him his band. On STP's straightforward fourth CD the depletion of their leading man is chronicled by the jarring lyrics and music we have come to expect from the tormented quartet. But

even though Weiland's addiction may be keeping him down, there is remarkable lyrical and musical freedom to be found in the caged bird's desperate, grinding cry. — BC Grade: B+

The Counting Crows / *This Desert Life* / DGC•Geffen•Interscope Once again, the Counting Crows have constructed a masterpiece by poking around in frontman Adam Duritz's emotional wounds. But there's a new twist this side of the Band-Aid thanks to Cracker frontman David Lowery who served as producer. Lowery's hillbilly rock sensibility helps the Crows recover from 1996's melancholy and paranoid *Recovering the Satellites* by pushing up the tempo (save a few trademark ballads). The band's first single "Hangingaround" is perhaps their most spirited yet. — BC Grade: A



Big Bad Voodoo Daddy / *This Beautiful Life* / Interscope Don't bother to tell this six-piece Southern Cali swing band that swing has already swung out of fashion. On the sixth cut off their second CD, *This Beautiful Life*, crooner Scotty Morris beats you to the punchline. "Things have changed / And they are only getting better." Indeed. On *This Beautiful Life*,

these hippest of all hip-cats maintain their smoky swagger and rely heavily on their horn-driven blend of swing that's so much damn fun it'll make you wish it was 1996 all over again. — BC Grade: B

### on campus

- 11•17 The Pitt  
U. of New Mexico
- 11•18 Universal - Irvine  
UC, Irvine
- 11•19 RIMAC Arena  
UC, San Diego

### on campus

#### Live Tour Dates

- 11•16 Orono, Maine  
Alfond Arena
- 11•18 Boston, Mass.  
Orpheum Theatre
- 11•19 New York City  
Hammerstein Ballroom
- 11•21 Upper Darby, Penn.  
Tower Theater
- 12•31 Hershey, Penn.  
Hershey Arena



THE NAME IS MANSON, SHIRLEY MANSON, AND WHEN the new James Bond film *The World is Not Enough* hits screens worldwide this winter, Manson, who is the lead vixen of the post-industrial superband Garbage, will be the one singing Bond's theme song (with the help of an 83-piece orchestra they used to help record the track).

Yet while being picked to croon the theme seems like the ultimate in golden opportunities, Manson insists it was more like destiny for her famed four piece.

"We've always wanted to do a Bond theme, literally from the first day we came together, it was something we could do justice to. A lot of it has to do with the sound of my voice — it's quite lower than some of the girls who have done Bond themes in the past — they have all had sort of girly voices," she says. "I also think the way the Bond songs are put together is sort of the same as the way we put songs together, in that you take something that is essentially traditional with some technological and classical elements — something that seems very pop-oriented and easy to digest at the surface, but if you dig deeper, should you wish, there are sort of threads in a darker vein."

The video is already in circulation on MTV, and soon enough Garbage will also be in circulation via MTV as they ready to headline MTV's fall College Invasion Tour in support of last year's multi-platinum album *Version 2.0*.

"We wanted to come and tour the States before we quit this whole cycle, and we were trying to put a tour together at the same time as MTV approached us to see if we would be interested in doing the Campus Invasion. Seeing as how we have such a huge following in the schools around America we thought it would make a really good package for our fans," Manson says.

The College Invasion Tour also includes Orange County rockers Lit (you know, those guys in the bowling video) and a free interactive daytime festival with booths where concertgoers watch videos, play Playstation games, try out to be part of *The Real World* cast or even learn how to mix and scratch records with lessons provided by a guest DJ.

## on campus

MTV  
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11•16	Southern Methodist U.
11•17	Steven F. Austin U.
11•20	U. of Arizona
11•22	Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
11•23	UC San Diego
11•24	UC Irvine



As hard as it is to believe, the College Invasion gig will be Garbage's first ever college-oriented tour. "Sometimes these things just don't work out. Sometimes when we're touring, the colleges aren't in session or vice versa, and this is the first time it has just sort of clicked for our schedule. It's great because we know that a groundswell of our support comes from the colleges and universities of America, and this seems like a great way to finish up the tour." No kidding. We just hope they really bond with the students on the tour. — BC

For the full interview with Shirley Manson go to [www.umagazine.com](http://www.umagazine.com).

## screen savers



next friday — No Smokey this time, but Craig (Ice Cube) is back and he's forced to live with his relatives in the 'burbs. You can bet the quiet neighborhood is about to go up in smoke.



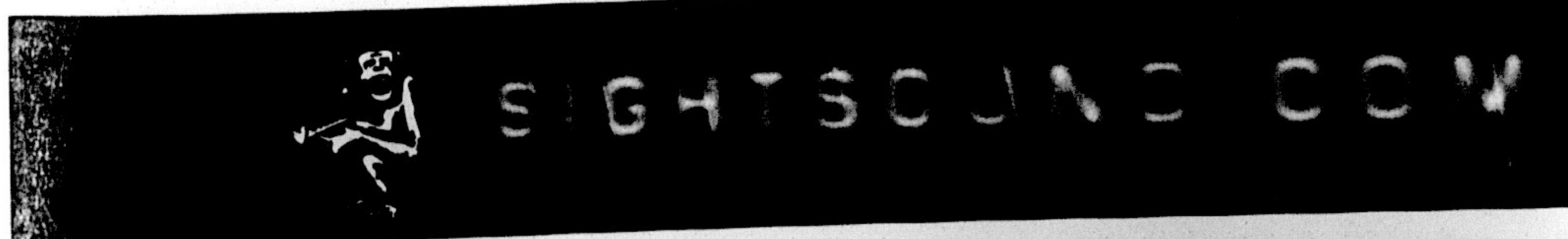
any given sunday — Are you ready for some football? Director Oliver Stone and players Al Pacino, Cameron Diaz and Jamie Foxx sure hope so as they try to score with this gridiron drama.



the green mile — Based on a Stephen King novella, this flick chronicles the surprising friendship between a former death row prison guard and an inmate.



man on the moon — If you ever saw "Taxi" on Nick at Nite, you know Andy Kaufman's crazy character, Latka. But the characters in Kaufman's real life were even crazier.



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# U dear blabby

you ask the questions and you give the advice

## SEX: DO IT NOW OR WAIT 'TIL LATER?

**dear blabby,**

**My boyfriend and I have never had sex. We're going to different colleges next year and he says that we should have sex before leaving for college to prove our love for each other. I'm not sure. What do you think?**

**Do It or Don't?, soon-to-be-freshman at U. of Oregon**

were in love you would know it and wouldn't need to prove it with sex. — **Dan and Karri, U. of Louisville and Asbury College**

Don't do it! In fact, unless you two are going to the same college, break it off now, or at least agree to see other people. There are so many opportunities that you will miss out on because you're attached to someone who isn't at the same school. The missed opportunities and jealousy will tear the relationship apart. — **Chris, U. of Cincinnati**

If I were you when your boyfriend made that statement, I would have slapped him in the head. You don't have to have sex to prove your love before you go to college or for any other reason! There are other ways to show your love for one another: send each other mushy letters or silly presents, talk on the phone or make a video of yourself telling your boyfriend how much you love him and miss him. There are so many alternatives, you just have to have a creative mind. Sex should be special, not a good-bye tactic, especially if you are both virgins. Do it when you feel it's right and for the right reasons, not because you're leaving for college. — **Marcie**

Personally I think you should have sex with him. If you're going to different colleges, but you're planning on sticking together then you won't have many other chances to do it. And if you're planning on breaking up after senior year do it anyway, because if he sucks you won't feel quite as bad leaving him, and if he's good you can get a few pointers for when you go to college. — **Emily, Bryn Mawr College**

Have you no respect for yourself? Having sex is not the way for you to prove your love to each other, even if you really want to and are completely ready for it. Based on the fact that you are questioning it at all suggests to me that you are not completely ready. If you were, you would have done it willingly already. If he wants to prove his love to you, he should respect your comfort zone, not pressure you into giving in to his carnal desires. — **Adrian Breitenbach, Metropolitan State College of Denver**

## ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS FOR AN UPCOMING ISSUE

**My girlfriend goes to college in another state so we talk on the phone all the time. I just got my first phone bill and it's \$280! I don't have that kind of cash and I can't call mom and dad to beg for money. What should I do?**  
**Broke at Bryn Mawr**

**I'm gay, but I haven't told anybody yet. My problem is that I'm starting to get a crush on my roommate, but I'm afraid if I tell him, he'll tell everyone about me. Should I tell him or just suffer in silence?**  
**Still in the Closet at U. of California, Santa Cruz**

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## MY FRIEND BOUGHT A TERM PAPER

**dear blabby,**

**My friend and I are in the same English class and we had to write a paper for our final. I worked really hard and got a B- but my friend bought her paper off the Internet and got an A. Now she's bragging about how easy it is to get good grades. Should I rat on her?**

**Honest Abe at New York U.**

Rat on her! You know very well the policy that we have here at NYU: no plagiarism. You are doing no good keeping your mouth shut, you are shaming yourself and your other classmates. Many professors grade on a curve and your friend could be throwing off the curve. Stand up for what is right! And remember that if you do, your grade might improve. You can always write an anonymous letter to the professor and drop it in their mailbox. — **Christian, New York U.**

It is your duty to find out where your friend got the paper and report it to the professor. Crime doesn't pay. Cheaters never win. He/she who laughs last laughs best. You owe it to yourself. — **Anonymous**

I don't think this problem is so much about honesty as it is about you wanting to receive praise for your honesty. You did the right thing — you wrote your own paper. Don't let your friend's laziness affect you so much. Relax, it'll all come back to your friend in the long run. Karma, baby. — **Vicki, Penn State U., University Park**

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# quickies

weird and way-out news from a campus near you

## Droid Hall MIT

Maybe their light sabers lost their luster. Maybe Jabba the Hut's stench started getting to them. Whatever the reason, *Star Wars* fanatics at MIT refused to confine the force to their dorm rooms any longer. Off they went, into the night, to decorate the famous MIT dome as R2-D2. Destructive? Heck no. These campus pranksters acted with the honor of a Jedi warrior — not only did they leave police detailed instructions on dismantling the droid, they established an excellent arrest-avoidance technique by leaving a box of doughnuts as well. Or maybe that was just a clever way to keep the cops busy while they groomed campus grounds into one of Queen Amidala's infamous hairstyles.



## Stopping Stop Day? U. of Kansas

For one day each year, this rebel school puts on Stop Day, a one-day deal before finals week where everyone

puts the stop on everything — from homework to tests. Unfortunately, we think the power may have gone to Kansas State U.'s head — there is actually talk of stopping stop day. With respect to the long-standing tradition, we have only two words for those whose toes are applying the brakes: Stop it.

## Do the Right Thing Davidson College

Thirty bucks can buy a lot of things. But it certainly can't buy sophomore Kim Gardner's high moral code. The ethical optimist, after finding \$30 in the street, taped a sign to the sidewalk where she found the dough, requesting the rightful owner to give her a call. Turns out, the rightful owner was just to her right — it was lost by the friend with whom she'd been walking at the time. In the future, we recommend a better use for Kim's masking tape: to seal up her friend's pockets.



## Buggin' Out

Kansas State U.

And you thought excess fat on your food was a pest? Try excess pest parts. That's right.

Researchers at Kansas State U. have determined that the common bug zapper — you know, that buzzing, blue-lit thingamabob hanging directly over your family picnic table — can blow bug bits like wings, antennae, legs, eyes and innards up to six feet away. Sounds yummy, huh? Well, never fear. Microbiologist James Urban has some reassuring words for fretful picnickers: "I don't think it's as risky as unsafe sex or something like that." Assuming no one tries to get busy with one, of course.

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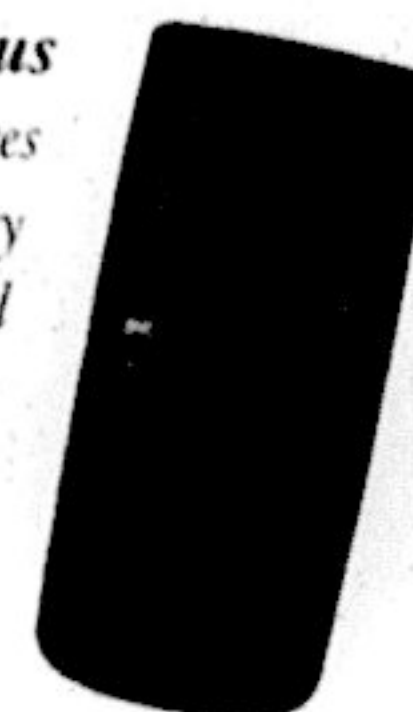
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