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Children develop literacy habits through books and story telling



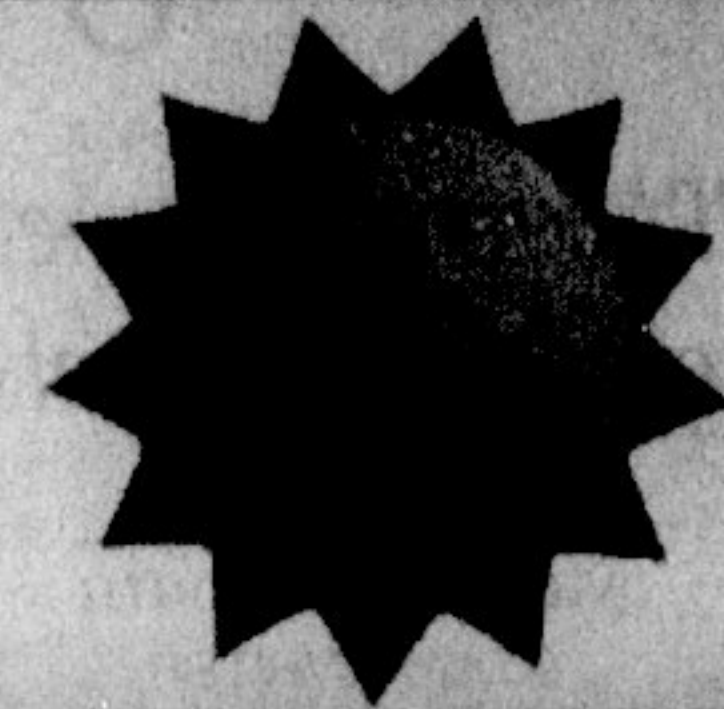
## WOMEN'S TENNIS WINS TWO pg. 8

Victories place team at 4-2



## TODAY'S WEATHER

Sunny, high of 56°  
and a low of 37°



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2000

18 days to go until Spring Break

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Race Initiative

The North Carolina Theatre Ensemble will perform "Let My People Go: The Trials of Bondage in Words of Master and Slave" at 7 p.m. on Wed., Feb. 23 in room 244 of Mendenhall Student Center. The play is an original theatre piece based on petitions to southern county courts and state legislatures during the time of slavery. The program will be presented by a touring theatre ensemble with funding from the N.C. Humanities Council and the N.C. Arts Council. Admission is free. Contact: ECU Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, 328-6804.

### Baseball

ECU plays Radford at 3:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 at Harrington Field.

### Women's basketball

ECU and Virginia Commonwealth have a game scheduled for 7 p.m. on Fri. Feb. 25 in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum.

### Performing arts

The Minnesota Orchestra, under the direction of Eiji Oue, will perform in at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium, but before the concert, the orchestra's trombone section will conduct a clinic/master class at 2 p.m. at the School of Music. The class is coordinated by ECU Prof. George Broussard (328-4870). Tonight's concert by the world-renowned orchestra will feature virtuoso violinist Pinchas Zukerman. Tickets are \$36 and available at the ECU Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall or by calling 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

### Family fare

"Caddie Woodlawn" is a play about a high-spirited tomboy who helps keep the peace between settlers and the Dakota Indians and will be performed at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26 in Wright Auditorium. The production is part of the ECU Family Fare Series. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children. All tickets at the door are \$9. Contact: The Central Ticket Office, Mendenhall Student Center, 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

### Local author

Farmville native Lorraine Johnson Coleman, who wrote the novel "Just Plain Folks", will visit Greenville on March 2. Coleman will host a reading of some of her other works at 3 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. at the Greenville Museum of Art. A reception and a public question and answer period will follow.

### Correction

Angela Warren was incorrectly named in the Feb. 17 issue of the TEC. Warren is a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority and was participating in a Unity Step sponsored by the National Panhellenic Council.

## ONLINE SURVEY

Vote online at tec.ecu.edu

**Are you in favor of no longer using social security numbers as student ID numbers?**

**Do you think S.C. should be able to fly the Confederate flag over a state building?**

21% Yes 78% No

# BOG proposal heads to General Assembly

## Tuition hike due in part to lack of state funds

Terra Steinbeiser  
NEWS EDITOR

When the UNC System Board of Governors voted to raise tuition at ECU and four other state universities, questions were raised about the necessity of the increase by students and officials.

At the Feb. 11 BOG meeting in Chapel Hill, the board approved a 2.1 percent tuition increase for all 16 system campuses, a \$32 increase for ECU's transition to a doctoral university and a \$150 increase that was requested by the Board of Trustees. If the proposal is passed by the NC General Assembly in

March, the increase for resident undergraduates for the 2000-01 school year will total \$203.

According to Richard Brown, vice chancellor of Administration and Finance, the ECU Board of Trustees requested a \$300 tuition hike for the 2000-01 school year after reviewing proposals made by the administration concerning faculty salaries, library resources and financial aid. The BOG voted to grant the university half of the amount requested.

Brown said the university needs the money to maintain academic equality with other institutions.

"The main concern for ECU is that if we don't have similar resources to those of our sister institutions, then we'll lose when it comes to getting faculty members and other resources," Brown

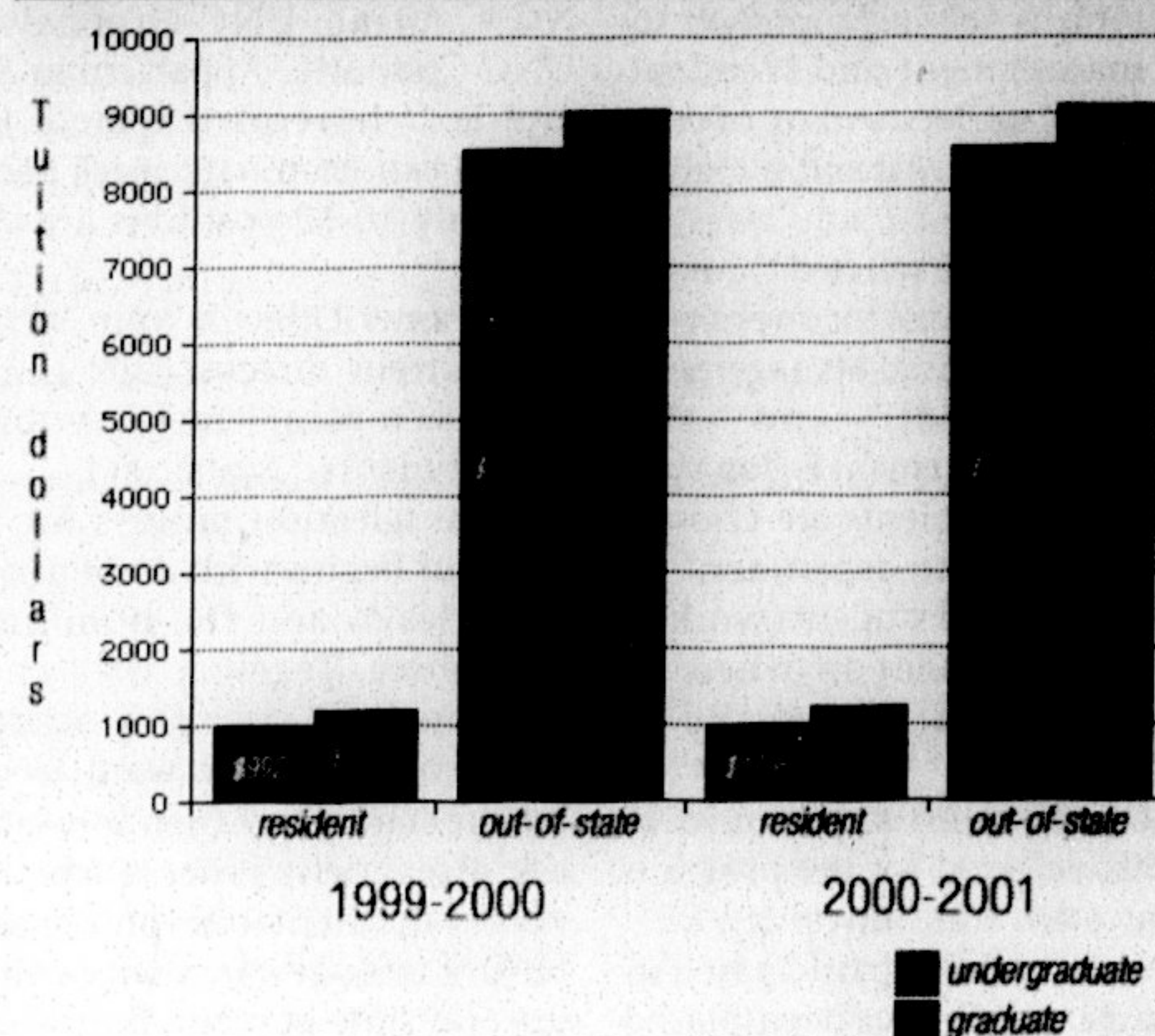
said. "It matters when it's a competitive issue."

ECU's recent classification as a doctoral II status institution also contributed to the increase. The \$32 fee is implemented by the state to fund additional resources associated with the new status. The Carnegie Foundation, which is responsible for classifying universities previously ranked ECU as a comprehensive university; a four-year institution offering master's degrees and limited higher degrees. The doctoral II classification is a step up in terms of academic opportunities, putting ECU on about the same level as UNC-Greensboro. Research universities like NCSU and UNC-Chapel Hill are the highest ranking institutions.

Not all BOG members felt

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## BOG proposed tuition increases, 00-01



## The Colors of Diversity



Elaine Van Horn, John Noel, Mike Buckley and Chris Haire spend an afternoon preparing a banner to let people know about their organization, B-GLAD. B-GLAD meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 in Mendenhall for supporters of sexual diversity. (photo by Emily Richardson)

## Student hit by car on 10th Street

### Victim remains in ICU, in stable condition

Angela Harne  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Early Friday morning ECU student Mark Eagle was hit by a vehicle while attempting to cross 10th Street near Miami Subs.

Eagle was transported to Pitt County Memorial Hospital (PCMH) with serious head and internal injuries.

Garrie Moore, director of Student Life, said that he visited Eagle's family Saturday.

"I have not personally seen

Mark," Moore said. "But Student Life and I send our thoughts and prayers to him and his family."

Moore said that he told Eagle's family that Student Life is available to assist them in any way and at any time.

Eagle's family told Moore that friends and staff members have been visiting their son regularly.

Tom Younce, assistant director of the ECU Police Department, said that as of Monday afternoon at 2 p.m. Eagle was in the intensive care unit.

"He is stable, but still in critical condition," Younce said.

PCMH was unable to comment on Eagle due to confidentiality laws.

According to the ECU PD crime log, the vehicle which struck Eagle was driven by a student who was arrested by the Greenville Police Department (GPD).

No further information was available from the GPD about the suspect.

GPD Officer Robert Brewington was at the scene of the crime, but failed to file his report before going on vacation. Brewington will not return until March 7.

TEC will provide further information as it becomes available.

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## New ID numbers may take place of social security method

### Students have mixed reactions to ASG proposal

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In an effort to increase security, the Association of Student Governments (ASG) passed a proposal for universities to stop using social security numbers as the main form of student identification.

Cliff Webster, president of the ECU student government association (SGA), Michael Orr, sophomore class president, Leane Bailey, day representative/chair of screenings and Leigh Hancock, junior class vice president, represented ECU at the

meeting earlier this month.

According to Orr, the ASG discussed the use of social security numbers. He said the ASG passed a law stating that they do not like the use of social security numbers as the main identification number of the university.

The vote was passed by all present, with the exception of ECU.

"There was no structure in the request at all," Webster said. "Our meeting was rushed and we did not really have time to sit down and discuss the idea through. I was not going to pass such a rushed idea. Besides, I believe that the tuition issue was a bigger pressing issue, rather than the use of social security numbers."

Orr said he had a problem with how the re-

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## Aycock student overdoses

### No criminal charges issued

Angela Harne  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

A freshman overdosed last week while inhaling tetrafluoroethane, a substance found in everyday dust cleaner.

James Heflin was transported by EMS to Pitt County Memorial Hospital after his friends were concerned for his safety and called for help.

According to freshman Matt Woolard, he was told by Heflin's friends to check on him every 30 minutes because he was very drunk.

"It was scary," Woolard said. "I think it was a result from peer pressure though." Woolard said freshman Michael Bennett made the call for help.

Officers and EMTs were met by Woolard at Aycock when they arrived on the scene.

Freshman Jerren Davis said the incident was frightening.

"I learned that we have to watch out for one another, but it was really scary," Davis said.

According to Frank Knight, patrol captain of the ECU Police Department, Heflin was taken to the hospital and released after treatment.

Woolard said Bennett, Davis, freshman John Kranz and himself went to the hospital with Heflin until they were told that he would be fine.

Knight said no charges were issued.

"We did not charge him with criminal reports," Knight said. "Instead, the issue is now in the hands of the university."

Heflin received a campus appearance ticket and met with the dean of students, who issued him a judicial action report.

"I have to attend counseling sessions," Heflin said. "In addition I have to write a letter to Office Depot asking them to remove tetrafluoroethane from their products."

Heflin said students should think before they act.

"I am feeling a lot better," Heflin said. "In the future, I don't think students should

even try inhaling substances. They make you act out of your head and once things are normal again you will probably disapprove of your actions."

Mary Louis Antieau, assistant dean of students, could not comment on the incident due to confidentiality laws.

Heflin will not be expelled from his residence hall because expulsion from campus occurs only when one has possession of a weapon, threatens or harms another or is caught selling drugs.

Beth Credle, of Student Health Services, said inhalants are most commonly used by middle and high school students.

"I think they use them regularly because they are cheap and are in everyday household products," Credle said. "Users get a quick high, but don't realize the serious side effects, including death."

Credle said Student Health wishes that if students know anyone who is a regular inhaler to get them help immediately.

Inhalants are breathable chemicals that produce mind-altering vapors. People do not think of inhalants as drugs because most of the products were never meant to be used in that sense. Inhalants are ingested by either sniffing or snorting through the nose, "bagging" by inhaling fumes from a plastic bag or "huffing" by stuffing an inhalant-soaked rag into the mouth.

Nearly all inhalants produce effects similar to anesthetics, which act to slow down body functions, giving the user a feeling of stimulation.

Sniffing highly concentrated amounts of solvents or aerosol sprays can produce heart failure and instant death. Sniffing can cause death the first time or any time. High concentrations of inhalants can cause death from suffocation by displacing the oxygen in the lungs.

Deliberately inhaling products from a paper bag greatly increases the chance of suffocation, although when using aerosol or vaporous products for their legitimate purposes, like painting or cleaning, it is wise to do so in a well-ventilated room or outdoors.

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# Hunt grants job opportunities

## MPA Program benefits graduate students

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Graduate students in the public administration program have the opportunity to hone their skills with the Masters of Public Administration Program (MPA) designed by Governor Jim Hunt.

The program trains graduates for a career in public services by teaching a problem solving approach to public management and broadening students' understanding of economic, political, legal and social issues.

Participants are selected through a nomination process for one of two areas: the Presidential Management Internship (PMI) and the Governor's Management Fellowship (GMF). GMF recipients are chosen to work for a state department in Raleigh while PMI students work at a federal department anywhere in the United States, but usually in Washington D.C.

ECU boasts the most number of graduates selected for the program over any other state university. ECU graduates who have participated in the program and have been placed in various government positions include Clyde Higgs, who is now the executive assistant to the president

of N.C. Community Colleges; Kelly Rudd, who works in the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources and Matt Oathout, who is with the State Department of Health and Human Services.

"The MPA Program is very proud that these graduates have been offered the position to work for North Carolina and [are] doing a great job," said Dr. Carmine Scavo, associate professor and director of the MPA Program.

The organization is approaching its third year and universities such as Duke, NCSU, UNC-Chapel Hill, NC Central, UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Charlotte, Appalachian State and ECU have participated. Each school can nominate three people, but only 10-12 positions are available.

"Former Director John Whitley and current director Jack Lemons have been complementary toward ECU students," Scavo said.

The selection process for ECU students begins with a nomination from Scavo and the nomination committee. Together they choose students who exemplify academic excellence and who want to work for the state. They then move on to the assessment process which involves an orientation phase, an extensive interview by senior employees and state government officials, a writing exam and a case study test.

"The MPA Program focused on real world problems and the educa-

tion I received at ECU is truly relevant to my practice," Higgs said.

This year's nominees from ECU are Kim Bowman, Mike Haley and Rodney Rose, all of whom have just begun the interviewing and assessment process.

"Not only are the students benefiting from the program, but the community is also," Scavo said. "State government is where the action is."

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## CRIME SCENE

Feb. 16

**Juvenile Complaint**—A staff member reported that three juveniles were found unescorted in Minges Coliseum. They were found in the pool area. An officer made contact with one of the individual's grandmother who transported them home.

Feb. 17

**Damage to Property**—A non-student was banned from campus after he was observed by a staff member damaging a student's vehicle parked in the lot at 4th and Reade streets.

Feb. 18

**Harassment**—A non-student reported that a student had followed her from Mendenhall Student Center to Jenkins Art Building and back to Mendenhall. She reported that this stemmed from an ongoing problem. She was transported back to her home and advised to contact the Greenville Police Department (GPD) and the Magistrate's Office. A campus appearance ticket (CAT) was issued to the student, but officers were unable to locate him.

Feb. 19

**Assist Rescue**—A student was struck by a vehicle while attempting to cross 10th Street near Miami Subs. He was transported to Pitt County Memorial Hospital with serious head and internal injuries. The vehicle was driven by a student who was arrested by the GPD.

## SGA NOTES

SGA President Cliff Webster said new pamphlets known as "Points of Pride" will be distributed throughout all mailings from now on. The pamphlets give highlights to ECU and names it "A Top 10 Public Regional University in the South."

According to Webster, next month a police campus ride along will be available for SGA representatives. He said a Safety Walk will also take place next month in which he, Chancellor Eakin and Teresa Crocker Chief of Police will participate in. The walk will take place in the evening to check out lighting and any security or safety problems around campus.

According to representative Dan Bucci, last week's parking meeting was successful. He said they talked about new traffic patterns for the upcoming year. Students which sign-up for a parking sticker next year will be given

information about the new patterns and parking lots available for them. Bucci said parking and traffic representatives are needed.

Webster said that they are hoping to have Bruce Flye representative for ECU construction plans come talk at one of their upcoming meetings.

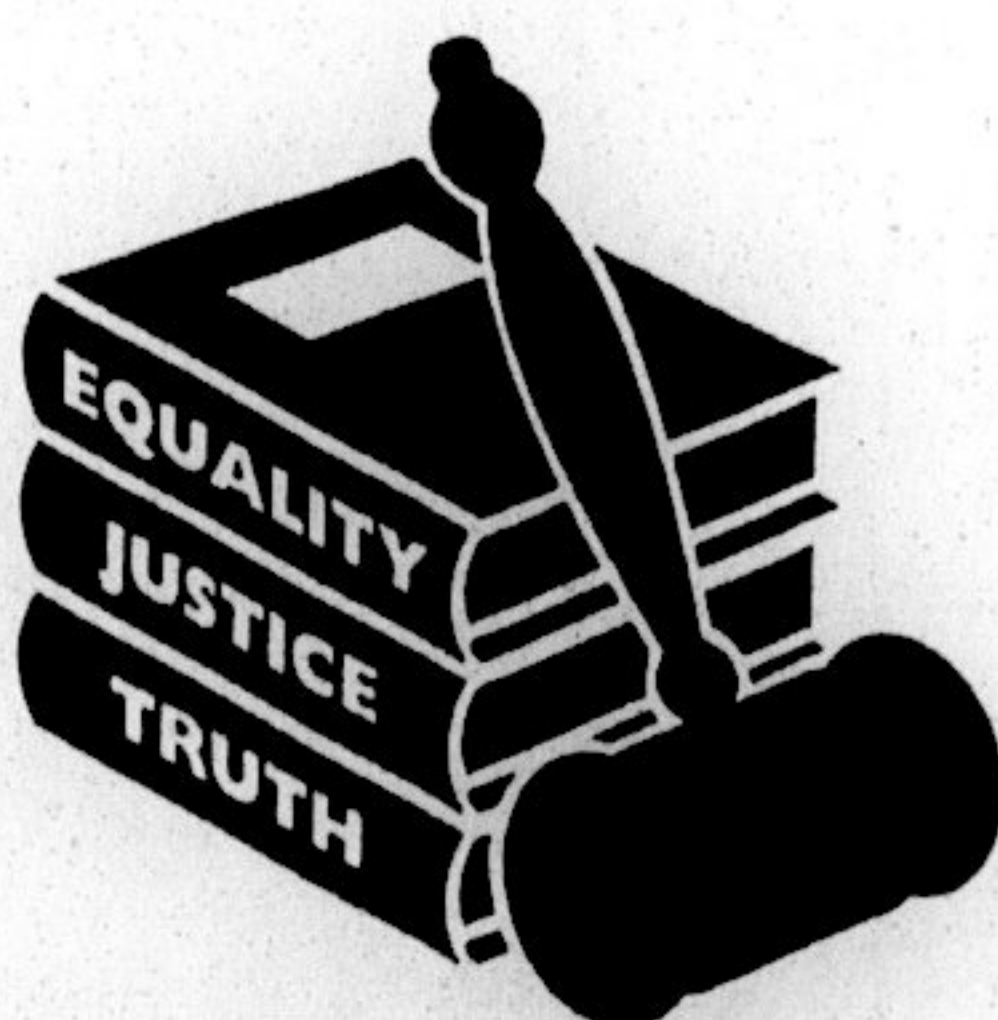
Dan Mission was screened into the SGA.

Webster said that the judicial board is looking for new applicants. Students become part of the honor board which decides outcomes for students that violate campus rules and regulations. Deadline for applications is March 3.

John Meriac, SGA vice president said that he, Webster, SGA secretary Jessica Dowdy and junior class president Christy Lynch would be attending Constitute 2000 this weekend in Texas.

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## Clue #2

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## Flood brings in more illnesses

More bacteria, mold  
cause health problems

Josette LaChance  
STAFF WRITER

Residents of eastern North Carolina may notice an increase in minor illnesses that is due in part to the flooding that took place last September.

As people once again develop flu symptoms and catch colds, many are wondering if this year's flu outbreak has anything to do with the flood.

Dr. Nicholas Benson, of the School of Medicine's Emergency Medicine Department, said there are factors of the flood that have caused some of the flu problems.

"Problems have come about through people being crammed into shelters," Benson said. "Outbreaks have also occurred throughout state flood relief workers carrying the flu without knowing."

However, Jolene Jernigan, director of Clinical Operations, said there is no connection between the flood and the flu outbreak and offered a different explanation for the increase of flu cases this season.

tion for the increase of flu cases this season.

"One thing about the flu is it can be easily passed in campus settings," Jernigan said. "When there are lots of people in one class, the air does not have time to refresh itself. In addition, one will see lots of flu outbreaks in residence halls because so people are living together."

Dr. Betty Straub, associate dean and director of Health Promotion, said the flood has caused other health problems besides the flu.

According to Straub, five students were treated for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder because of problems associated with the flood.

Straub said skin problems were also a result of the flood.

"Skin rashes caused by the direct contact of flood waters has become an issue," Straub said. "The waters contained a bacteria which irritated the skin."

Jernigan said that the spring season will most likely bring on more problems.

"They will probably have more problems due to the mold and mildew produced from the flood."

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that the proposal was justified.

"I thought it was too large of an increase, especially at UNC and NCSU and [the proposal] was not well put together," said board member John Sanders. "The 2.1 percent increase makes sense, but increases at ECU, UNC-C and UNC-W are not necessary right now."

Benjamin Ruffin, chairman of the BOG, said the raise in tuition is necessary due to the shortage of state funds that resulted from hurricane and flood recovery.

"This is a big problem we face as a board," said Ruffin. "We said that we would place our priorities second to those of eastern North Carolina. The funds are not as plentiful as they have been in the past."

North Carolina has to match 25 percent of the recovery and relief

funding provided by FEMA.

While ECU students, many of whom were flood victims themselves, may feel that the state is charging them to help others who were affected by the disaster, Brown said that the financial woes of the state far outweigh those of the students.

"It was certainly discussed and of some concern that the student population was impacted by Floyd and the flood, but it isn't a one-to-one correlation," Brown said. "The financial problem is much broader for the state than for the student population."

UNC System President Molly Broad has proposed a \$36.8 million financial aid package to the General Assembly to help students deal with this most recent financial blow.

"We're not anticipating any other significant financial aid programs other than the one proposed by Molly Broad, but that isn't even official yet," said Rose Mary Stelma, director of Financial Aid. According to Stelma, about half of ECU students are already receiving some sort of financial aid. The department is expecting an increase in the number of students applying for financial aid for the coming school year as a direct result of tuition and fee hikes.

Chancellor Richard Eakin is out of town on business this week and could not be reached for comment.

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quest was written because ASG's actual disagreement with the use of social security numbers was not exactly stated.

Despite problems with the request, Orr said it would be sent to the registrars' offices, chancellors and student body presidents of all universities in the UNC system.

"We are trying to reach all universities to express our disagreement with the use of social security numbers," Orr said. "Rather than using social security numbers as identification, we are hoping universities will give each student a random number as their new identification."

Orr said the final decision will be put in the hands of each chancellor at each individual university, and then taken to the Board of Trustees (BOT).

Chancellor Eakin was out of town in meetings and did not get contacted for comment on the matter.

Webster said he has not yet received the letter from the ASG.

According to Associate Registrar Angela Anderson, the Registrar's Office has not received the letter from

ASG at present time.

Anderson said the Registrar's Office is willing to talk with students to find a new solution.

If Chancellor Eakin agrees to the ASG request, Anderson said it can be done, although it will not be a minor undertaking.

"The new concept is not new," Anderson said. "In the '70s [ECU] used random numbers for students. The first two digits were their expected graduation date, followed by six random numbers. Although that system was problematic because once students graduated they did not remember their number. If needed, we can go back to that system, though it would require rewriting the whole computer system, including Student Desktop, financial aid need, tuition, etc."

According to Anderson, ECU has tried to eliminate the problems other universities have had with the use of social security numbers.

"We have raised security levels and have never had a problem with the security," Anderson said. "For example, PIN numbers are needed to access the Student Desktop, photo identification is needed to receive per-

sonal information, like transcripts, and posting of grades by social security numbers has been stopped."

Orr said there are pros and cons to the use of social security numbers.

"I feel it is OK to use them for grades and personal information, but I don't think they should be posted or a part of our everyday identification."

Bailey said information can be gathered about you with or without a social security number.

"I think that there are more ways to get information on someone, besides the use of their social security number," Bailey said. "If someone wants to get your files they can get them with no problems. I think changing the system will only cause problems, especially for ECU. I feel it would cost us a lot of money."

Hancock said the system is fine the way it is.

"The four of us [Webster, Orr, Bailey and I] voted against the request," Hancock said.

"As far as I know, ECU has never had a problem with the use of social security numbers. I think that it will be a huge event if everything needs to be

changed and truly unnecessary."

Freshman Franshona Bass said voiding use of social security numbers is a good idea. "I am all for it," Bass said. "If someone gets a hold of your social security number than they basically have your life."

Freshman Brooke Harrison also said she likes the idea. "Everyone has a social security number which is openly available and accessible here on campus," Harrison said. "Therefore, if a student loses their One Card then their personal information is out there for easy access."

Sophomore Aquene Hernandez said she doesn't have time to learn a new number, and thinks the system is fine the way it is.

"We use our social security number for everything," Hernandez said. "Why should we have to learn another number. That would only make my life harder... Let's just keep it simple and stick to the use of our social security numbers."

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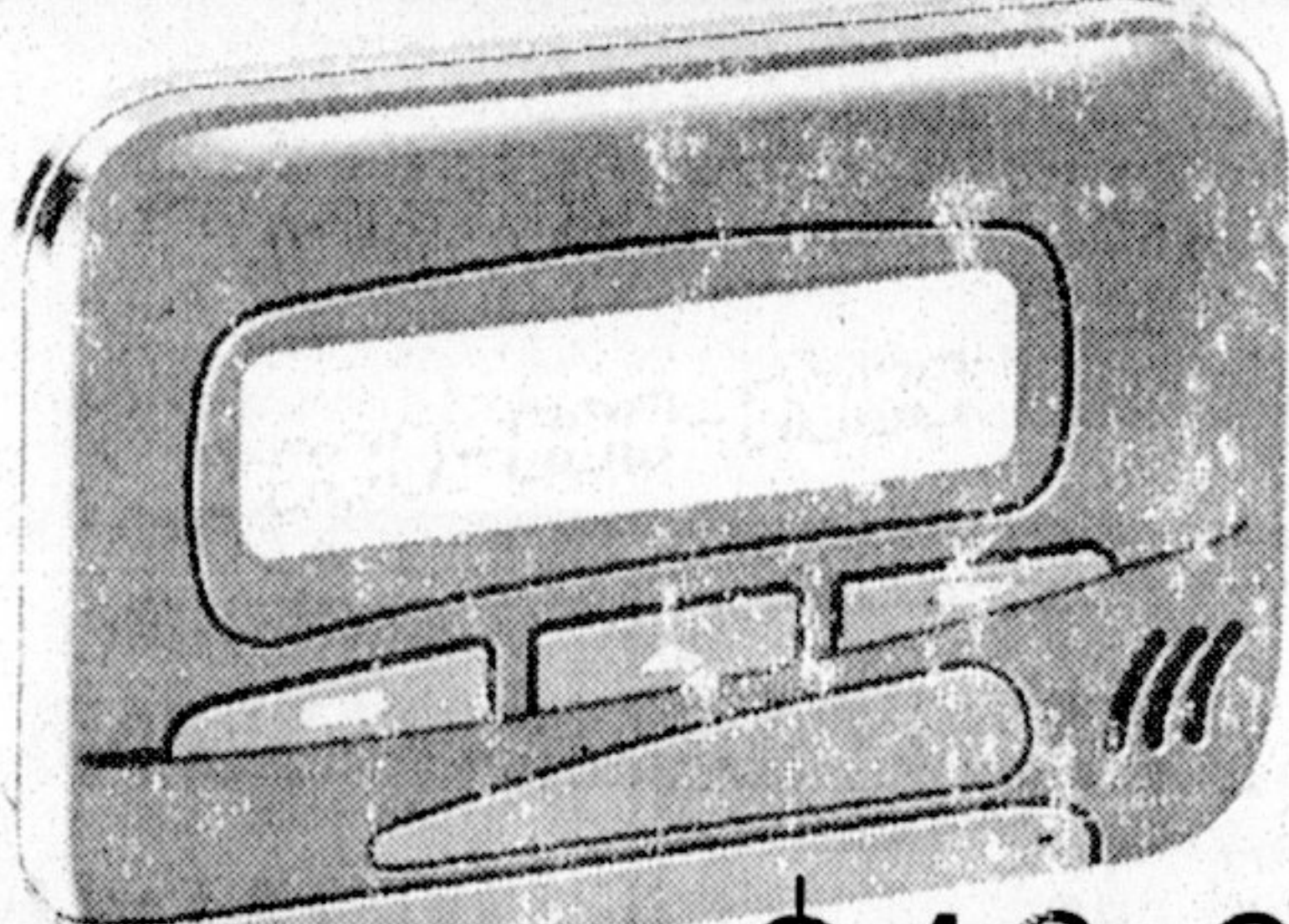
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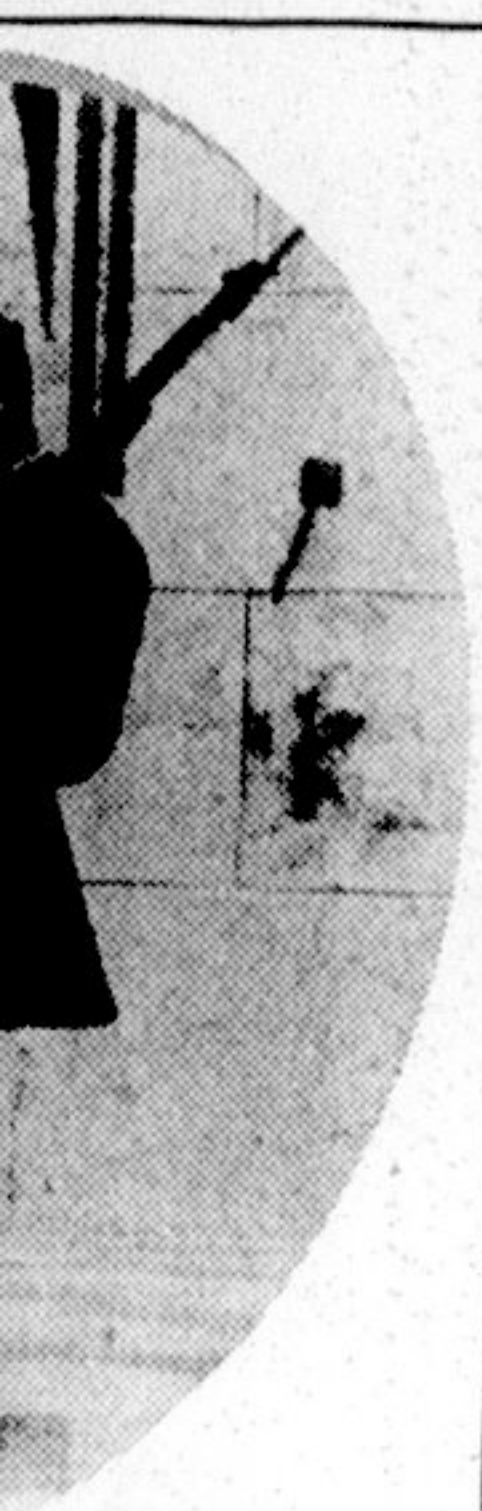
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## OUR VIEW

If anyone is worried about security, the problem can be easily solved on the university's end by insisting we show our student IDs more often. By all means, do not make us memorize another number.

Good for the SGA. Ours was the only student government to vote down the recent proposal to change our ID numbers to a random PIN. Thank goodness for the level-headed people that speak for our sanity.

Between the ATM codes, the phone numbers, the e-mail passwords, the addresses, the course numbers, the classroom numbers, the birthdays and other people's phone numbers, it makes you wonder just how many digits the brain can hold. The social security number is an old standby, one we've all had memorized since high school, one we will always have to know. Why make everything harder than it has to be?

Honestly, how often do you think some creepy student goes through our records and ferrets out our social security numbers to look at our grades? No one at the Registrar's Office can remember a time social security numbers caused a security breach. The worst that could happen would be that someone runs in the office and gives out our social security numbers and changes our schedule just to be mean. That problem can be solved simply by enforcing the rule that students must present IDs to make schedule changes.

Picture it: You go in to make your schedule change and you forget that random, meaningless number that some mysterious official assigned you. You have to get out of the massive line and return to your domicile to look it up, unless you've lost the piece of paper it was written on. Or, they could print it on your student ID card like they do the social security number. That certainly would defeat the purpose of changing it.

If anyone is worried about security, the problem can be easily solved on the university's end by insisting we show our student IDs more often. By all means, do not make us memorize another number. On that note, we express our gratitude to the SGA for saving us from another massive hassle.

## OPINION COLUMN

### Professors shouldn't enforce attendance policies

Dorcas A. Brule  
OPINION COLUMNIST

Wait a minute. What do you mean I can only miss this class three times and then I receive a grade deduction? Well, nice of you to let me know, but are you under the impression that you're paying for my education?

Personally, I feel there shouldn't be an attendance policy. It's just ludicrous. Am I not an "adult" opting to further my education at a university? And, also, isn't it true that I'm paying for it? Regardless of whether mommy and daddy are footing the bill, whether you're racking up mountains of school loans or are on scholarship, it isn't your professor's business whether or not you decided to attend your eight o'clock Biology class every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

I contend that it would be different if there were a

school-wide policy enforcing attendance, but there isn't one. The option of taking attendance is left up to the individual instructor. It doesn't seem right to me that I have to suffer the tyranny of attendance regulations that range from nonexistent in one class to one absence and you've failed in another.

Attendance should be required across the board, or not at all. And as it stands at this university, if the "powers that be" don't care if I'm in class, I don't see why my individual professor should.

I think it is my business and my problem if I choose not to attend a class. In the end, the students who don't show up to class are only hurting themselves, and it is their own money and time that they are wasting, not the professors'. The professor gets paid regardless of my presence in their classroom.

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## OPINION COLUMN

### You are happier than you think

Demosthenes  
OPINION COLUMNIST

Happiness: the goal of human existence. Or is it? If you think about the basic reason for many of your actions, you will discover they are mostly for your own benefit either directly or indirectly. Why do you consider yourself to be unhappy, and what do you do to make yourself happier?

Do you work hard to gain power or money to better yourself socially? Do you exercise and compete at a high level or do you use substances to further your perception of happiness? Maybe you enjoy unconditional giving and receive indirect pleasure. One smile is all I need to satisfy me.

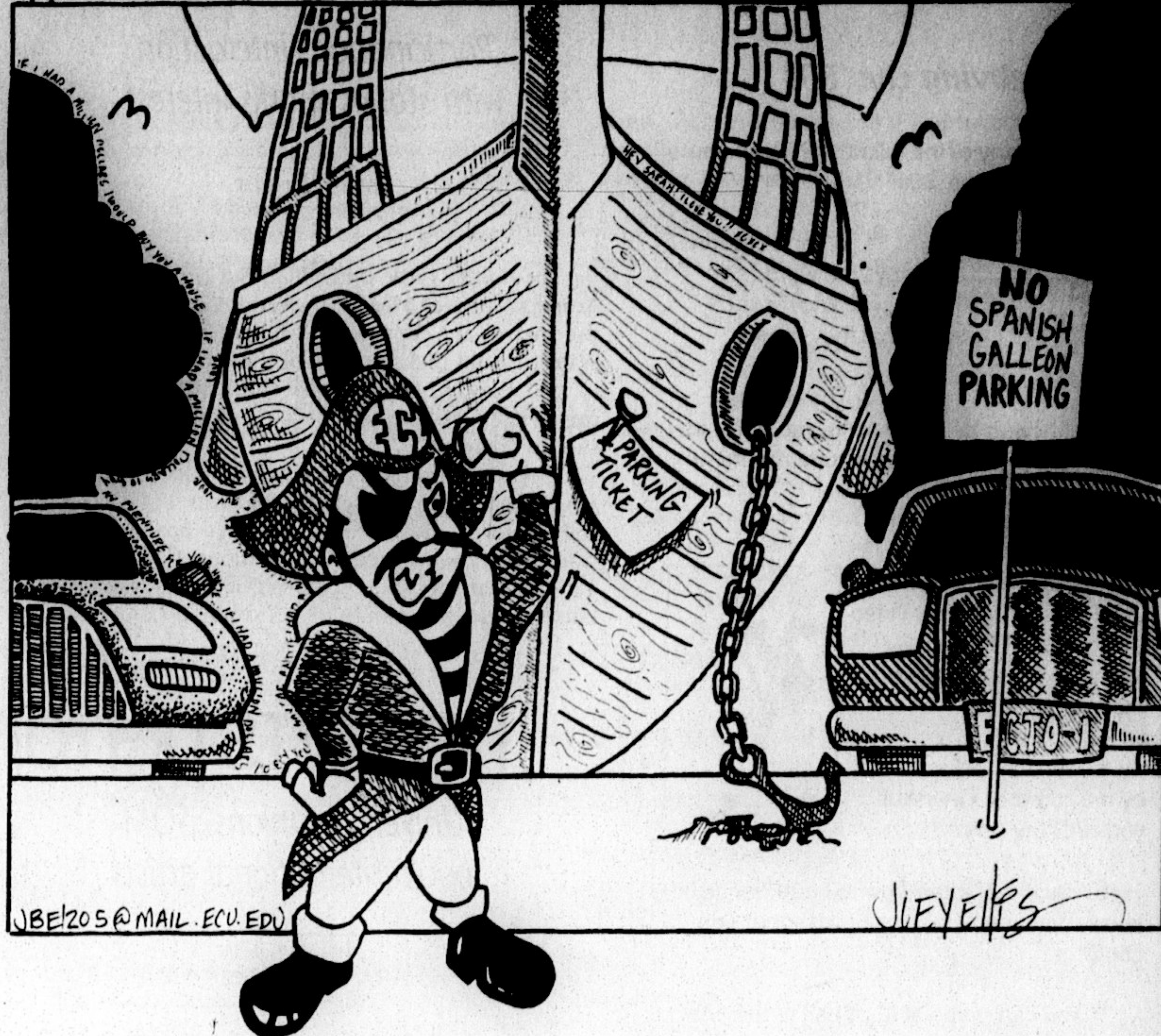
Have you ever locked eyes with a complete stranger and shared a total eye squinching smile? Sometimes I live from one of these rare moments to the next because they let me feel that there is joy and hope and love in the world and they make me forget about everything that is getting me down.

Now there is a concept, forget everything that is getting you down for a second. Just place it aside, maybe to be dealt with at a later time. Now look around you and take a deep breath of your environment (please skip this step if you happen to be reading this on the John.)

Ask yourself if it is really worth running around like a chicken minus its head so that you can feel like you are accomplishing something and contributing toward your future happiness. I ask you about your present happiness. Half-price pitchers at Chico's might be your answer, but that is just a surface level event.

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## OPINION COLUMN

### American inventions something to be proud of

Ryan Kennemur  
OPINION COLUMNIST

America. It's such a strong and patriotic word. I feel like it's ours to hold and be proud of, and that's even considering the fact that it's also used behind the words "Central" and "South." Think about it: We are a super power. Go anywhere else in the world and utter the words "United States of America" and see what happens. Actually, many people will swear in some foreign language and spit in your general direction.

But what they don't realize is just how many things we have given them, especially in the way of invention. The French are the most standoffish to us, even after they gave us that big statue in honor of toga parties. They just have an irrational view that everything we do is completely bone-headed, whether it is a good idea or not, as shown in this exchange circa 1756:

Frenchwoman: "Did you hear about the newest thing in America? They have invented something called 'soap,' and it supposedly cleanses the body and makes one smell better."

Frenchman: "Is that so? Well, no wife of mine will EVER use such an absurd product!"

French Woman: "Also, the women of the country shave their legs and underarms with something called a 'razor.'"

Frenchman: (His voice made comical a la a clothes-pin pinching his nasal passages.) Ugh! How disgusting! Will they never learn that the female body is more attractive with fur?"

Frenchwoman: "Why are we speaking in English? I

mean, we don't even have funny accents or say 'zee' instead of 'the.'"

Frenchman: "Because the American bag of mule dung who is writing this neglected to! I shall sell his eyes to my angry sister!"

But I digress. Aside from the Frenchman's disdain, we truly have a creative past. Think about it: We invented the automobile, the cotton gin and McDonald's. I mean heck, folks! Our own Steve Guttenberg invented the printing press, I assume between "Three Men and a Baby" and "Three Men and a Little Lady." I, for one, feel very accomplished, even though I personally had nothing to do with the conception of any of them.

But, as we as a nation collectively pat ourselves on the back, we must realize one thing. For every one astounding, life-changing invention, there are a million that have failed to cut the proverbial mustard. For every steam engine, there's a Topsy Tail, a Bedazzler (the rhinestone stapler) and Garden Weasel.

That's why I, being a person with a wish to present factual albeit fun information but lacking the time for research, have decided to hold a contest. Send in your idea for the most ridiculous (yet somehow useful) invention you've ever seen or thought of, and I'll put it in a future article and buy you a Coke. No wait, they don't sell that here. Well, I guess I'll have to up the ante and make it a CD from CD Alley. Send your invention ideas to the e-mail below by March 9. Not a lot of work for a CD, I think. Now if you'll excuse me, I'm going to invent the hair/tooth brush.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Kleinschmit should get some school pride

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to Steven Kleinschmit's opinion column from Thursday, Feb. 17, entitled "Call me Richie-Rich, just give me a few years."

As a graduate of ECU and a staff member in the Admissions Office, I was very disheartened to read such comments made by a current student.

Kleinschmit stated that he could not attend Duke because his parents couldn't afford it, but he "wants to make sure that someday my children will not be denied a world-class education because I cannot afford it."

For your information, you are receiving a world-class education.

U.S. News & World Report listed ECU as one of the top public universities in the South. In addition, they ranked the School of Medicine No. 5 in rural medicine and No. 8 in family medicine.

ECU has the only accredited art school in North Carolina. The School of Art and School of Music are among the largest and most recognized in the Southeast region. The School of Education is the largest in the state and its Model Clinical Teaching Program received best-in-the-nation recognition from three national education associations.

The Construction Management Program in the School of Industry and Technology is the only accredited program in North Carolina, and it is rated one of the top programs in the nation. The School of Business offers the only management accounting, banking and five-year public accounting degrees in the state. The campus also boasts a state-of-the-art library and student recreation center.

Keep in mind I have only mentioned a few of the university's highlights and distinctions. This letter would be four pages long if I listed them all.

If you are so sure that you were denied a world-class education, maybe you should leave your residence hall room and attend an ECU sporting event. There is so much pride and school spirit coming from students and alumni that you would think some people really

do bleed purple. Not to mention there is greater attendance and enthusiasm coming out of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium on certain Saturdays in the fall than at some professional sporting events across the country.

Education is not just a piece of paper or an institution's name on that piece of paper. It is what you make of your time there.

During my years, I was a computer lab assistant on campus, news director at WZMB, a member of Chi Omega Sorority, a representative for SGA and senior class vice president. In my spare time I did volunteer work and I still graduated with honors. I did receive a world-class education both inside and outside of the classroom, and not at a cheap price such as your column suggests. I got the impression that you were comparing ECU to a community college. Being an out-of-state student, it cost me almost \$60,000 for my four years here, and it was worth every penny.

As a matter of fact, I passed-up the opportunity to take a job with a television station in Baltimore to stay here and work for ECU. I travel across the state and up and down the entire East Coast promoting the university to prospective students.

According to your column, it seems as though you are involved in certain aspects of campus such as the Greek system and the newspaper staff. I'm sorry that you don't find those things as fulfilling as I did.

If you think going to Duke is going to guarantee you much success and a great life, you need to think again. I am in the real world and so are my friends and we can tell you that it's not where you went to school, but what you learned while you were there that makes you successful in the future.

Less than 25 percent of Americans hold a college degree, so maybe the next time you start to whine and complain about being denied a "world-class" education, you should call your parents and thank them for giving you the opportunity to receive a world-class education right here at ECU.

Melissa Hajimihalis  
Class of 1998



FEATURES BRIEFS

Reliving the '80s

Relate to any of the following? Then you are a product of the '80s!



1. When someone says the word "sike" you know exactly what they mean.

2. The phrase "wax on, wax off" has a profound meaning to you.

3. You felt ashamed when Rob Lowe got in trouble for videotaping himself having sex with minors because you liked him.



4. You truly believed that by the power of Greyskull, you HAD the power.

5. You either know how to breakdance, know someone who does or wish that you could.

6. You can name at least half of the Brat Pack and two movies each member has been in easily.

7. Freeze tag and kickball were your favorite pastimes during recess.

8. You knew you were safe from scary diseases as long as you had your "circle, circle, dot, dot" shot.



9. You know the other name for a keyboard is a synthesizer.

10. Wearing fluorescent or neon clothing was cool.

11. Partying like it was 1999 seemed so far away.

12. Your biggest dream was to be on Star Search.

13. You saw Tiffany sing at your mall, or you wish that she had.



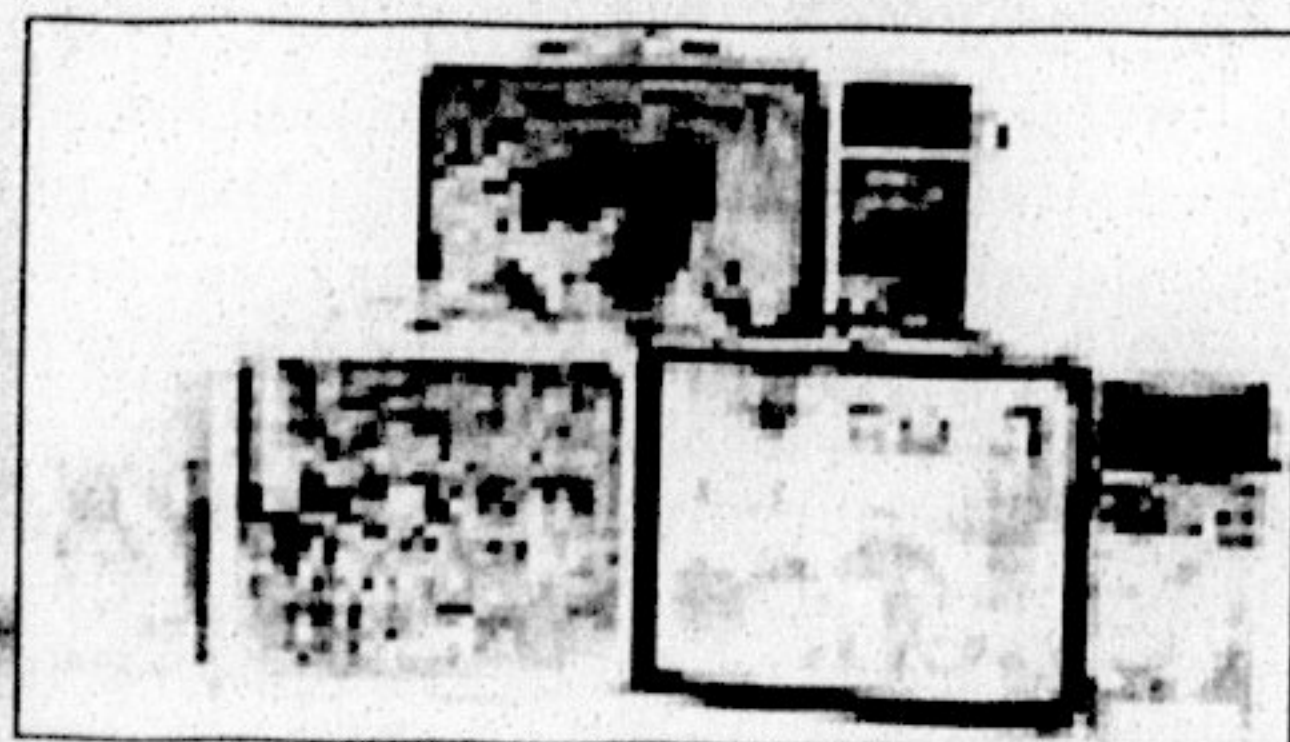
14. You owned a doll with a Xavier Roberts signature on its butt, or knew someone who did.

15. You owned a large collection of Garbage Pail Kids.



16. You remember a time when ALL of your music was on cassettes.

17. You went to the video store and had a choice between VHS and BETA tapes.



18. You owned a Gremlins or an E.T. lunch box that you brought to school every day.

19. You wore biker shorts underneath a short skirt and felt stylish, or knew someone who did.

20. You had a crush on one of the Coreys (Haim or Feldman).

21. You always beat the high score on Pacman or Ms. Pacman.

Storytelling, picture books encourage children to read, write

Participation, interaction  
with stories sparks interest

Susan Wright  
FEATURES EDITOR

*The Hungry Little Caterpillar, But No Elephants and Arthur's Nose* are three of the hundreds of titles that fill the shelves at Sheppard Memorial Children's Library. When a child picks up one of these books and begins to read, they are unaware that they will be far ahead of their class scholastically because of their early exposure to literature.

Children who have more exposure to literature at a young age are more likely to succeed scholastically in the future, according to the National Board of Education. Studies performed by the National Center for Educational Statistics show that reading ability is positively correlated to the amount of recreational reading a child



Kindergarten programs, put on by Phyllis Conner and Mary Beth Corbin, introduce children to literature. (photo courtesy of Sheppard Memorial Library)

does. The studies also reported that the frequency of children's literature use is high. In 1995, more than 80 percent of children aged 3-5 were told or read a story in the past month.

Both storytelling and reading to children help stimulate their imagination, hold their

attention and introduce them to the concept of a plot and characters.

"As the need for literacy develops, educators are starting to realize the need to read or tell stories to children at a young age," said Carl Lovins, assistant to the director of library development at Joyner Library.

Both storytellers and librarians claim that exposing children to stories and books has positive effects.

Donald Davis, master storyteller, came to speak to educators at ECU last week to emphasize the important role that storytelling plays in developing a child's interest in reading. According to Davis, storytelling is a gateway for children to novels.

"They love the experience of hearing a big long story that's fun," Davis said. "Once they really do that and discover that big stories are great, that becomes a reading goal."

According to Davis, a picture book can limit the imagination of both the teller and the listener.

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Fine arts performances, programs thriving locally

University Unions, SOM  
book international artists

Nina M. Dry  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

When looking for things to do after the work day's done, some people turn to the downtown scene for a good time. What many fail to realize is that ECU offers a wide variety of fine-arts events throughout the year, giving students and the Greenville community a taste of culture.



Andre-Michel Schub is scheduled to perform on March 4, 2000 on piano. (photo courtesy of the Guest Artist Series)

The S. Rudolf Alexander Performing Arts Series, sponsored by the department of University Unions, celebrates its 39th season, bringing national and international talent to the university.

"Our two main driving points are variety and quality," said Carol Woodruff, assistant chair.

In order to accomplish this, Bill Clutter, director of University Unions and chair of the Performing Arts Series, will gather information from different agencies and booking conferences. From there, Clutter will take the collected information and bring it to the Performing Arts Committee, who will kick around ideas.

"The committee is comprised of students, staff, faculty and the general public who come together to decide which performers to bring," Woodruff said. "It takes approximately three to four meetings to flesh out



New York Woodwind Quartet performed on Nov. 17, 1999 at ECU. (photo courtesy of Guest Artist Series)

the roster [of performers] to bring that year."

Clutter says that the committee helps bring in performers with varied backgrounds and styles.

"Our committee is so diverse and they are so committed to their viewpoints," he said. "Because of them, we always have such a variety of performances in our season."

University Unions members waste no time in booking their talent. According to Clutter, events are booked between 12-18 months in advance.

"Once we select the performers for the season, we find out when they go on tour," Woodruff said. "Then we compare their schedule to a master calendar just to make sure we're not conflicting with any other event on campus."

And rest assured, they are always trying to bring in the cream of the crop.

"The artists that we consider must have a proven reputation, or a group that is up and coming; but that is only when we know and trust the agents [of the new group]," Clutter said.

The School of Music will also bring in a selection of performers to their own series entitled the School of Music Guest Artist Series. According to Dr. Brad Foley, dean of the school of music, the number of concerts performed each year depends on the availability of the performers.

Similar to the Performing Arts Series, the School of Music has a special events committee made up of five faculty members who suggest ideas for the series.

"We try to bring in a variety of things," Foley said. "This year we had a guitarist, a wood-wind quartet and a string quartet."

They also brought a group that performed with instruments from the Renaissance era. According to Foley,

forming Arts Series or the School of Music Guest Artist Series, the Playhouse produces their performances.

The Playhouse has been around since 1963 and is currently home to approximately five main-stage productions a year: one musical, one dance concert and three performances chosen from a plethora of classic pieces of theater.

According to manager Jeff Woodruff, the Playhouse is an educational theater for both the departmental students and for the campus.

"Some students may not have had the exposure to some of the high-caliber performances we do," Woodruff said. "It's a lot different than what many have seen in their high-school theater or in the troops that may have visited their school."

The theater's approach for choosing shows to produce is quite different than those listed above. They usually look to see what has been done recently and

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Jason Vieaux performed on October 4, 1999 at ECU. (photo courtesy of Guest Artist Series)

NOTCH ABOVE THE NORM



Sherry Southard  
English professor

Kate Tomlinson  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Sherry Southard, an English professor firmly ensconced in the ECU community, lived a varied and interesting life before moving to Greenville, NC.

Born in Texas, Southard grew up in Illinois. Since her mother was a teacher, she knew that teaching was what she too wanted to spend her life doing.

"I started out student teaching in Indiana, and then moved on to teach at a junior high school in Virginia," Southard said. "But I didn't like the discipline side of that age of children, so I decided to go back [to school] to get a master's."

Southard attended Purdue University and graduated with a double major in math and English.

"I managed to do 163 hours in 4.5 years, but I also worked my way through school," Southard said.

Following graduation, she taught at a college in Rich-

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Ask Marjorie

Dear Marjorie,

My friend and I were debating today whether body piercing is mutilation or a trend. She said that body piercing is mutilation, and she thinks that it is a way for people to vie for attention. I was really hurt because I have had a bellybutton ring since I was in high school, and I did it because I think it looks cool and it is a fashion thing. Do you think that my friend was right in what she said about body piercing being a call for attention?

—Pierced and Proud

Dear Pierced and Proud,

Only you can decide where the line lies between mutilation and fashion. If she said that any type of body piercing is mutilation, then most of society has mutilated itself in one way or another. Have you ever looked around and tried to find a girl over 8 who doesn't have her ears pierced? Most college students, regardless of their major or their future interests, have at least one piercing. It is a fashionable thing right now to sport a piercing. Once you enter into the real world, the tongue and eyebrow rings usually have to go, but concealables, like bellybutton rings and Prince Albert's will not become a subject of debate unless you decide to whip it out and show your co-workers. (In some cases, this would get you slapped with a sexual harassment suit as well.) Piercing is a matter of personal choice, and the extent to which you do it can affect your future. The individual decides his or her career in life; if body piercing won't interfere, there is no reason why they should suppress them.

Dear Marjorie,

I have a boyfriend, and we have been dating for about two years. He is the man I want to marry, but we are not engaged because we are waiting until we graduate. I have this problem though. I still notice attractive men in my classes. If a great looking guy walks by and my boyfriend is not around, I will stare until he has passed. (Not that this happens all that often at ECU). Am I really in love with my boyfriend, or do I just have a wandering eye? I would never want to hurt him by having an affair, but men are so attractive, and I don't know if I can resist for the rest of my life.

—Hungry Eyes

Dear Hungry Eyes,

You see attractive men and notice them because you are alive. Even other men, although they won't admit it, notice a really amazing guy. It's just the way that it is. People are intrinsically sexual beings, and we were created in specific ways to accommodate that fact. Do you think that hips were designed only for functional purposes? I think not. Just because you notice the occasional attractive man, as long as you don't ravish him on the spot, your relationship will be fine. A strong relationship can endure occasional wandering glances. Ask your boyfriend sometime. I bet he notices attractive women constantly. Hopefully, the two of you will have a long life together, free of fear or mistrust. Open honesty is the best way to prevent any affair.

Any questions, complaints or queries can be sent to Marjorie at marjorie@studentmedia.ecu.edu.





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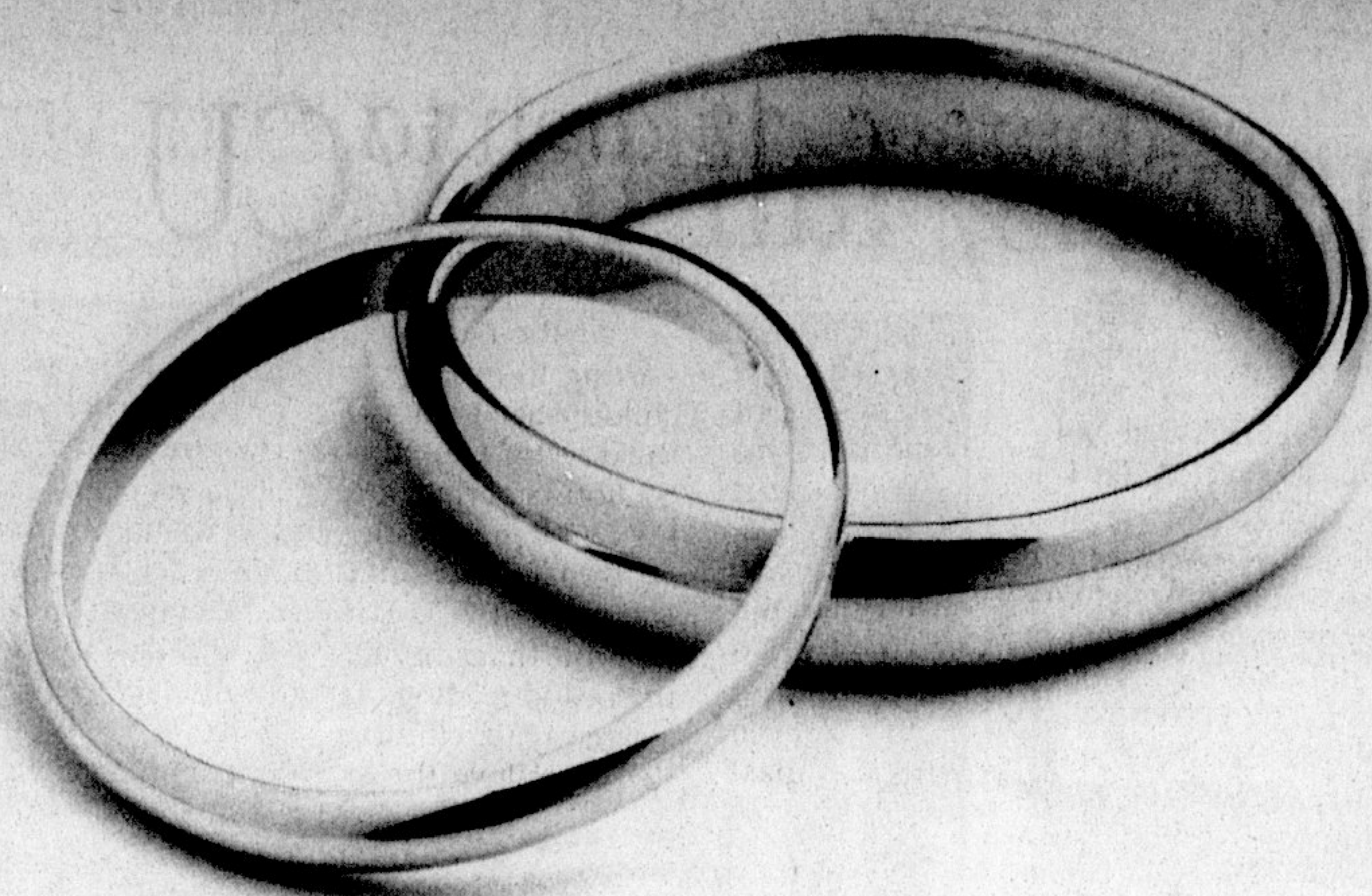
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"A book is a script and it is made up of a certain set of words and you are bound to that set of words," Davis said.

When a set of words and a sequence of pictures do not exist for the reader to focus on, they have to turn the focus inward and create the images themselves.



Three Billy Goats Gruff, a puppet show put on by Sheppard Memorial Library Staff, shows children that literature can be fun as well. Pictured are Phyllis Conner as the troll and Connie Melon. (photo courtesy of Sheppard Memorial Library)

"When I tell you about [a scene or an event] and I don't tell you anything, you have to build a picture in your own imagination," Davis said. "When you watch somebody else's pictures, you don't have to imagine and you can immediately forget them."

Children benefit from storytelling in more concrete ways than the development of their imagination; they also learn invaluable language and thinking skills that affect both their writing and speech.

"Their vocabulary grows because they are hearing words used in a context that makes sense, and their understanding of grammatical structure grows as well," Davis said.

Others agree that storytelling helps encourage children's imaginations.

"Storytelling can stimulate children in their writing because they don't know where to begin," said Pat McGee, head of teaching resource center at ECU. "Storytelling gives children the opportunity to use their memories to begin writing."

Storytelling is a way to bring children to the books, according to Anne Sullivan, outreach librarian and Phyllis Conner, children's librarian. In many programs at Sheppard Memorial Library, the librarians utilize storytelling to promote the children's interest in the stories.

"We [the children's librarians] use storytelling to bring people to books," Sullivan said. Picture books do different things for young listeners. It appeals to both audio and visual senses when a picture book is read, and it gives kids a different type of experience."

Conner said that books and reading should play an important role in everyone's life, but especially that of a young child.

"Reading is the most important thing you can do for your child to encourage future educational success," Conner said. "Reading picture books helps children learn to associate written words with the story and this encourages future literacy."

Both telling stories and reading books with a child are proven ways to encourage a child to develop voracious reading habits, but, of course, there are no guarantees.

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mond, Va., and decided that she loved it, but knew that she could not continue without a Ph.D. Once again, she returned to Purdue.

"I did exactly what you are not supposed to do: I went to the same school for all three degrees, but I knew that I enjoyed my time there, so it worked out well," Southard said.

Upon earning her Ph.D., Southard moved to Williamsburg, Va., and then on to Stillwater, Okla., where her husband received a teaching position at Oklahoma State University. Even though Southard enjoyed the time she spent teaching in OSU's English department, she liked the East Coast, so both she and her husband decided to apply for jobs out here.

"Jo Allen was a grad student of mine at Oklahoma and she had recently gotten a job at ECU, so she encouraged us to apply," Southard said. "Now we've been here in Greenville teaching [at ECU] since 1989."

Her husband, Bruce, is currently the chair of the English department.

"I enjoy being able to eat lunch together sometimes, and when my office was in the other suite, I was at one end and he was always at the other," Southard said. "It was nice. ECU is big enough, though, that we aren't stumbling over each other all the time."

Southard is also involved in several groups on campus. She is currently a member of the Society for Technical Communication (STC) and works with the Association of

Teachers of Technical Writing (ATTW) and the Council for Progress in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC).

Southard has also won several awards including the Jay Gould Award for Excellence in Teaching Technical Communication in 1994, various STC awards and in August of 1999 won one of two Outstanding Adviser Awards given out by Undergraduate Studies at ECU. She is currently running for the National Advising Award, which is given out by the National Academic Advising Association.

"[Graduating seniors], if nothing else, remember these two things: Number one, be flexible because there is so much change," Southard said. "You've got to be able to go with the flow. Number two, try to find your passion for work; you'll never enjoy life without it. There has to be a passion for everyone."

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try to go against the grain. Also, they will try to pick a production that will work well with the strengths of the department majors.

According to Foley, the events brought to the university should be checked out.

"We have high quality events at ECU," he said. "They are certainly worth your while to check out."

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SPORTS BRIEFS

**Stanford back  
in No. 1 spot**

Stanford's first No. 1 appearance, ever, occurred in the Dec. 20 poll. Knocked out of the spot with a 68-65 loss to Arizona Jan. 8, Stanford managed to climb back to the top with Cincinnati's 77-69 loss to Temple on Sunday. Stanford had maintained its No. 1 position for three weeks prior to the losing game with Arizona.



**Przybilla weighs  
his pro options**

Due to a serious lack of communication, Minnesota sophomore Joel Przybilla is considering leaving school to lay for the NBA.

Przybilla was suspended last Tuesday by Head Coach Dan Monson for skipping classes.

"I made a mistake by not attending classes on a regular basis," Przybilla said.

Przybilla said he is not concerned about his grades.

"My GPA was over 2.0, so there was no danger of being ineligible to play," Przybilla said.

"True, Coach Monson had warned me about going to class, but I thought he made a bigger thing out of it than it really was," Przybilla said.

"I think we had a lack of communication, Coach Monson and myself, and that seemed to be the problem all season."



**Winner's circle  
welcomes Triplett**

Kirk Triplett received his first career tour victory at the Nissan Open on Sunday.

After a career spanning 11 years and 266 tournaments, this victory seems well deserved, but it didn't come easy.

"I knew it was going to be rocky coming in, and it was," Triplett said.

Even though the win comes too late to qualify him for the Match Play Championship, Triplett is still quite happy about this win.

"I'm so thrilled," Triplett said. "I'm relieved in a sense. It's not as good of a career if you don't win."

**Spring training starts  
for pitchers, catchers**

Sunday heralded the beginning of spring training—at least for Chicago and New York pitchers and catchers, anyway.

The Chicago Cubs, headed by new manager Don Baylor, led the way when they opened camp at HoHoKam Park in Mesa, Ariz. The New York Mets followed suit days later by opening their camp in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

The Cubs and Mets started training a little early this year because they will begin the season March 29 at the Tokyo Dome playing against each other.

**Basketball picks  
up first CAA road win**

Matthew Geraghty  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU men's basketball team faced a formidable opponent in Virginia Commonwealth University after last week's road victory against Old Dominion.

Wednesday in Norfolk, the Pirates played Old Dominion, and pulled off their first CAA road win of the season with a Brandon Hawkins three pointer with 1.9 seconds remaining in the game. Hawkins led the team with 15 points on the night, followed by Neil Punt with 10. The team battled back from being down by one at the break to pull off a great road victory.

Following their first CAA road win of the season, the men's basketball team was defeated by the VCU Rams Saturday night.

The Pirates, lead by senior forward Neil Punt, came out strong to start the game. They had opened up a seven-point lead five minutes in.

After their opening run, the team traded buckets with the Rams before building a 10 point lead on a Steven Branch tip-in, with 5:01 left in the half. This would be the Pirates' largest lead of the night. By halftime the Rams had cut the lead in half.

"The last five minutes of the first half really hurt us," said Head Coach

Bill Herrion "We also had some discipline problems."

The second half began with the Pirates struggling to score. Their first field goal was a three pointer made by Quincy Hall six minutes into the second half. The Rams managed to hold the Pirates to only 12 points in the first 13 minutes of the second half.

"All the teams play the same number of games, so that's not an excuse," Punt said.

"We weren't focusing on their [ECU's] second-half problems, just our own confidence," said Mack McCarthy, VCU head coach.

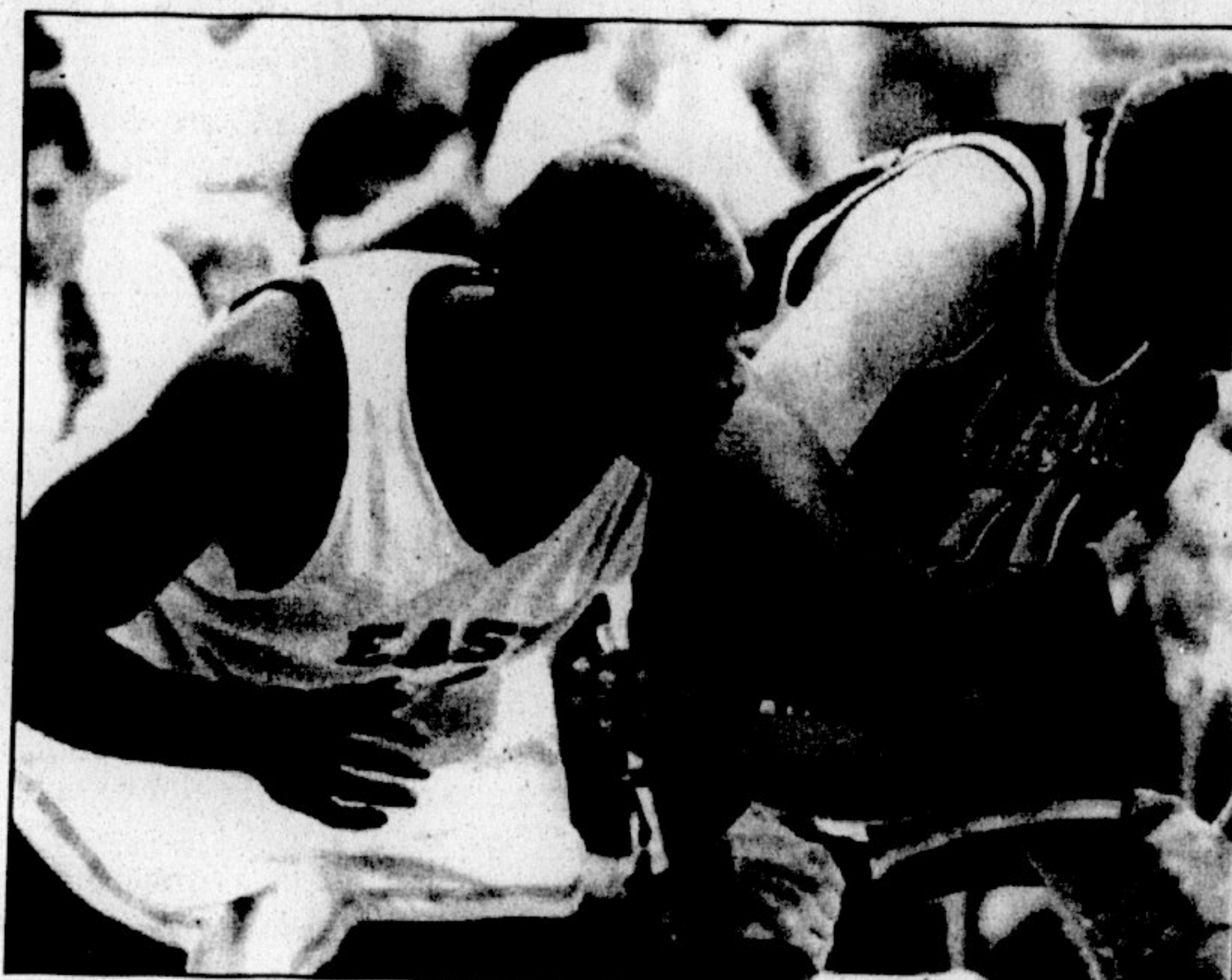
The Pirates shot 32.8 percent for

the game. The team's magic number seems to be 50 percent. In their nine wins prior to Wednesday night's game against Old Dominion, they averaged a shooting percentage of 49.7 percent. However, in their losses they have a shooting average of only 37.2 percent.

The troubled shooting, combined with the play of the Rams' Patrick Kodjoe (13 points) and Shawn Hampton (12 points), culminated in a loss for the Pirates.

The Pirates were led by Neil Punt (16 points) and Garrett Blackwelder (12 points).

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ECU's Vinston Sharpe (above) takes a free throw against VCU Saturday. The Pirates' Steven Branch (left) prepares to grab a rebound Saturday night. (photos by Garrett McMillan)

# Pirates sweep George Washington

**Freshman pitchers  
earn pair of victories**

Jason Adzigian  
STAFF WRITER

The Pirates baseball team swept the George Washington Colonials in a three game series last weekend.

The Pirates were 3-0 victors in the first game on Friday afternoon. It took freshman Scott Greene just 81 pitches to dispose of the Colonials. He struck out four, walked zero and gave up just two hits. He retired 13 batters in a row at one point on his way to facing just one more than the minimum.

The Pirates who moved to 4-1 on the year with the win, got run support from Bryant Ward and Nick Schnabel. Lee Delfino hit a solo home run, the first for the Pirates this season.

"We haven't been swinging the bats well yet this season, but that's something that will come with time," said Head Coach Keith

LeClair. "If we can just continue to get our young pitchers to put the ball in play and let the defense do the work like today, we will be fine."

Saturday the 23rd ranked Pirates downed the Colonials 11-9 and leading the way was junior Cliff Godwin. Godwin went 3-4 with four RBIs.

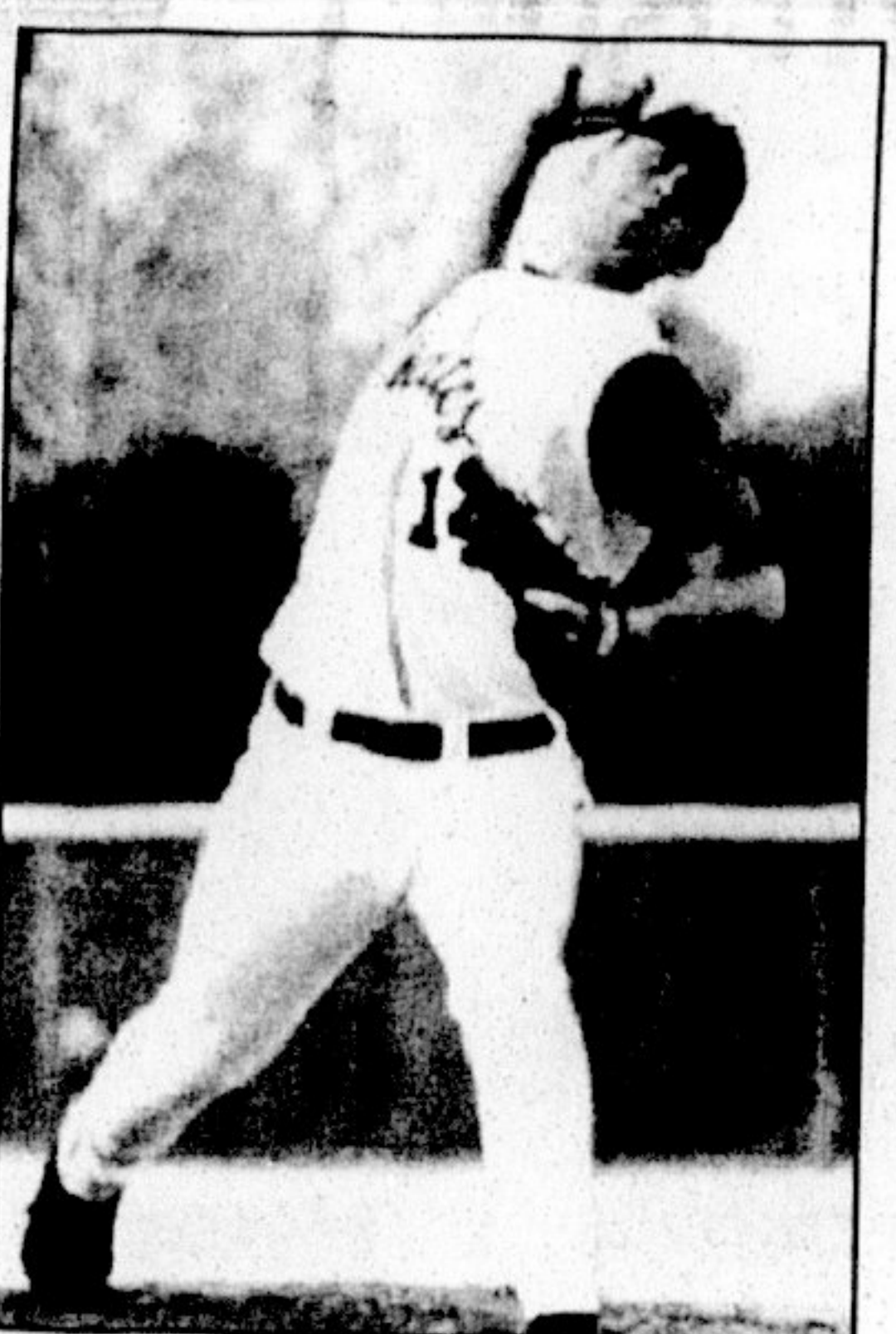
"This was one of those games that in the early innings the wind was blowing out and I thought it would be a high scoring affair," LeClair said.

LeClair was right, for after the second inning the Pirates lead 7-2. Jeremy Schumacher went 6.0 innings allowing only one base runner in his final 3.0 innings en route to his first collegiate victory.

Catcher Cliff Godwin jacked his first home run of the season in the fifth, and then in the seventh hit a two run double. Adding to the Pirates lead was Lee Delfino as he hit his second home run in as many days in the eighth inning.

The Pirates were up 11-5 but that lead was in jeopardy in the

Colonials' ninth. They rallied for four runs on three hits off of freshman Davey Penny before Cory Scott picked him up while earning his



Senior Jeremy Schumacher earned his first collegiate victory against George Washington this weekend. (photo by Emily Richardson)

first save of the year.

The third and final game of the series was Sunday afternoon in front of a crowd of 562. The score was knotted at three, Senior James Molinari delivered again for the Pirates. With Erik Bakich on second, Molinari singled back up the middle to end the game 4-3. Molinari delivered the game winning hit Sunday when the Pirates defeated Maryland 5-4 in extra innings.

"It was basically a situation where I was trying to get them over," Molinari said. "They set the table all day for me. They gave me opportunities earlier in the game but I kind of struggled at the plate."

Freshman Sam Narron got the start for ECU lasting 5.0 innings before allowing a run. Sophomore Kieran Mattison relieved Narron giving up one hit and striking out two. Freshman Glenn Tucker came in to relieve Mattison and pitched two solid innings earning his first collegiate victory.

"We battled back all day,"



ECU's Cliff Godwin hit his first home run of the season this weekend. (photo by Emily Richardson)

LeClair said. "Sam [Narron] did a great job and kept us in the game early and Kieran Mattison and Glenn Tucker came in and shut them down. Overall, this was our best win this season," said LeClair.

The Pirates (6-1) are back in action Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Chapel Hill.

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# Tennis teams split with in-state opponents

**Pirates hopeful  
against UNC-Charlotte**

Ryan Downey  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's tennis teams split two matches this weekend against Wingate and Campbell in Buies Creek, after hosting Francis Marion on Wednesday.

Against Francis Marion, the men lost while the women were able to pick up a win.

In the weekend's matches, both the men's and women's squads fell to Campbell and beat Wingate. The win put the men's team at 4-4 on the season.

"Against Campbell we had some chances," said Head Coach Tom Morris. "But they are a quality team and we played as well as we could. And against Wingate we did what we needed to do. Basically we played solid all day, just missed some close opportunities."

The win put the women at 4-2 on the season going into their next match against UNC-Charlotte at

UNC-Charlotte (2-2) this Wednesday. The two teams have similar records and similar rosters. Both teams are comprised mainly of freshmen and sophomores with the notable exception of the Pirates' Asa Ellbring.

The two wins give the team a little momentum going into this Wednesday. Asa Ellbring was very happy with the team's performance against Francis Marion.

"It was a good win," Ellbring said. "Last year we played a close match, but this year we beat them 5-1. Last year they had awesome depth, but this year we were stronger. We had more depth towards the bottom of our roster."

The win did a lot to help the players' confidence and keep them excited.

"It was just what we needed for our confidence," said team captain Merideth Spears. "It was nice to beat a team that was more on our level."

The men, who lost to Francis Marion 6-1, were just not able to get anything going early on and never quite caught up. The men were in trouble after the doubles competition which put them in the hole

early.

"If you are ahead a point going into the singles, you only have to split the matches," Morris said. "But we go in losing the doubles, and we have to win four out of six in singles."

The men, however, were able to rebound after the two losses and pull off a dominating 6-0 win against Wingate. The men have played more matches than UNC-Charlotte because the weather has not cooperated with the 49ers; three of their matches have been rained out. The 49er roster, which nearly mirrors the Pirate roster, features one senior on a team dominated by sophomores and freshmen.

"The men are playing better and better," Morris said. "I feel good about both matches, we are having some problems at doubles, but we will work on the combination and players as the season progresses. We are playing a lot of matches and it's good for us because we are improving every time we play."

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# Lady Pirates start season in new conference

**Softball team hopes to  
build on returning talent**

Jason Adzigian  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU Lady Pirates softball team kicked off the 2000 campaign this past weekend in Raleigh for the Triangle Classic Tournament.

The tournament marked the beginning of a season that will feature many changes for the Lady Pirates. The biggest difference this year for the team is that they will leave the Big South Conference and join the Southern Atlantic Softball Conference.

Under Head Coach Tracy Kee, in her fourth year at ECU, the Lady Pirates have won two Big South titles and set a school record with 50 wins last season. Kee was also selected as Coach of the Year in 1997. Kee guided the Pirates to their first ever NCAA Regional Tournament appearance, where as a sixth seed, they lost to the No. 1 seed, Arizona, 9-1 to end an impressive season.

The Lady Pirates bring back most of their talent, led by senior pitcher Denise Reagan. Reagan went 36-10

last season on her way to earning All Big South First team. Reagan was also selected as the MVP of the Big South Tournament, finishing the tournament with two complete games and one shutout.

The Lady Pirates also bring back junior second baseman Keisha Shepperson. Shepperson was elected to the All Big South First team last season and awarded Rookie of the Year in 1999. Shepperson is the speedster on the team, swiping 52 stolen bases, a mark good enough to put her fourth in the nation in steals.

"I'll look to get the same leads and time the catchers," Shepperson said. "But being in a different conference this year is going to make it a little more tough. The teams will be able to see my stats and expect it, but I will still use my same approach."

Also returning for the Lady Pirates is senior Amekea McDougald. Amekea is coming off a knee injury suffered the first day of practice, but hopes to be back in the lineup and contributing in center field by next weekend. She received All Big South First team honors in 1999, as well as Big South Tournament Team.

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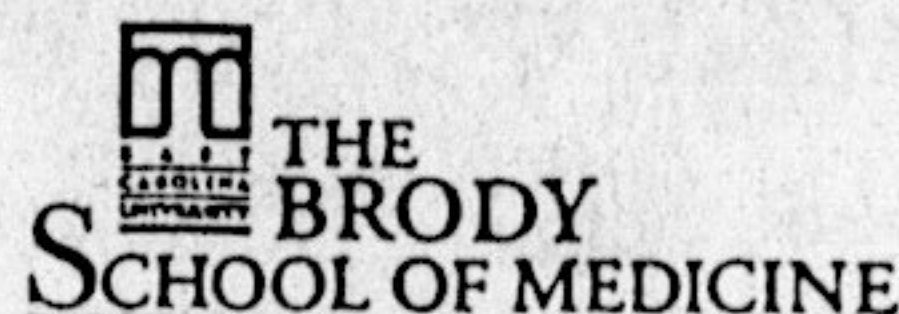


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The Lady Pirates' schedule contains tougher competition than they have had in previous years. They will battle Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee and Kansas, all of which are ranked among the top 40 in the USA Today/NFCA preseason poll. The Pirates also face off against the powerful ACC schools.

"Joining the ACC is a huge step for us," Kee said. "Whenever you can join a conference that finished fourth in RPI the season before, it's amazing."

A main concern for the Lady Pirates was the lack of a pitching staff last season. Kee brought in two freshman pitchers, Laurie Davidson and Hillary Halpern to provide some support.

"This year we wanted a pitching staff to help out [Lisa] Paganini and [Denise] Reagan," Kee said. "It's very different from past years to have a solid rotation."

Last season, under the command of record-setting ECU pitcher and current assistant coach, Jenny Parsons, the Pirate pitchers combined for school records with 226 strikeouts and a 50-win season. They also led the Big South in shutouts with 20, and 411 innings pitched.

"[Parsons] taught me everything about pitching—not so much the fundamentals, but a variety of pitches and when to use them," Reagan said.

The Lady Pirates lost three players to graduation at the end of last season—Isonette Polonius, Amy Hooks and Sara Colea.

"As talented as they were, it's tough," Kee said. "[Polonius] alone helped move this program to a

higher level."

Polonius was a three-time winner of the Big South Student Athlete of the Year award, and twice selected as the Big South Player of the Year in 1998 and 1999. She moved on to the next level by being selected as the first overall pick in the Professional Softball League in December.

Coach Kee brought in three other freshmen to help fill the gaps.

"We will rely on the seniors to lead the way, but Reagan is our work horse," Kee said. "She is very composed and never loses it. We will look to her to set our tone this year."

The Lady Pirates started the season 4-0 before falling to UNC on Sunday 5-0. They finished tied for third in the Triangle Classic. The Tar Heels improved to a perfect 10-0.

"Overall for the weekend, we were extremely pleased with the way things developed," Kee said. "We went 4-1 against a really competitive field at this tournament which was good to see so early in the year. We really got out of the gate quick against Alabama and set the tone for the weekend."

Alabama had entered the tournament ranked 30th. Freshman Hillary Halpern pitched a complete game for the Lady Pirates, striking out seven.

The Lady Pirates' first home game series is scheduled for Feb. 25-27, as they host the Pirate Classic Tournament. They will face Manhattan, George Mason, La Salle and Delaware with a single elimination tournament on Sunday.

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**STUDENT** seeking nonsmoking roommate to share two bedroom two full bath apartment in Hyde Park for May and/or August. Call 215-8881 and ask for Brandy.

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**ROOMMATES NEEDED** to share 3 bedroom house 1 block from campus. Rent 160 + 1/3 utilities. Call Amanda 413-6953.

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**THE ECU PT** program is holding a massage clinic Thursday Feb. 24th from 5-9pm at the Belk Bldg. on Charles Blvd. Advanced tickets are \$3/10min or \$4/10min at the door.

**Help Wanted**  
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candidates for the following positions: Graphic Artist, HTML Specialist, Content Specialist, Sales Reps, Web/Data-base Programmers. Visit http://www.gidgit.com/ for details.

**SECURE YOUR** summer job before you go on Spring Break. Two full-time "summer positions" open (Retail sales/Water analysis) part-time hrs. 8-1:30 OR 12:30-6:00. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. Will train. Training starts in March. Apply immediately. Greenville Pool & Supply Co., 3730 S. Charles St., Greenville, NC 27858-355-7121. Contact: Carol

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**POSSIBLY THE** best summer of your life. Presbyterian Point Camp now hiring counselors, L-guards, outdoors gear specialists, food ser, sailing instr. Wkly salary, meals, lodging, laundry, 18 7 up. NC/VA St line, 1.5 hr from Ral/Dur, bonus pay for L-guards. Don't get stuck behind a cash regis or in an office. Get paid to have fun outdoors and make a difference in a kid's life instead! 919-833-1083 David Paul Sum Prog Dir/ 804-252-1603 Robert Stoddard.

**PART TIME** jobs available. Joan's Fashions, a local Women's Clothing Store, is now filling part-time positions. Employees are needed for Saturdays and weekdays between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Individuals must be available for some Saturday work. Preference for students who will be able to work some during Spring Break and/or Easter Break. The positions are for between 7 and 25 hours per week, depending on your schedule and on business needs. The jobs are within walking distance of ECU and the hours are flexible. Pay is commensurate with your experience and job performance and is supplemented by an employee discount. Apply in person to Store Manager, Joan's Fashions, 423 S. Evans Street, Greenville (Uptown Greenville).

**\$7.00 PER** hour plus \$150.00 per month housing allowance. Largest rental service on the Outer Banks of North Carolina (North Carolina). Call Dona for application and housing info 800-662-2122.

**EXOTIC DANCERS** \$1000-\$1500 weekly. Legal lap dancing. No experience needed.. Age 18 up, all nationalities. 919-580-7084.. Goldsboro.

**LOCAL CLEANING** company needs part time help. 10 to 20 hours per week. Transportation, drivers license and phone required. Call 321-6599.

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**ATTENTION STUDENTS** Lock in your summer job early. Applications being accepted at Twin Lakes Resort (Chocowinity) for outside park maintenance and customer service positions in our store. Pleasant working conditions in a wholesome and recreational environment. Swimming privileges when off duty. Phone Twin Lakes Resort 946-5700.

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## GREEK PERSONALS

**PHI PSI**, sorry it's late, but thanks so much for the social last week. We had fun. Hope you did too! Alpha Delta Pi

**SIGMA PI** - thank you so much for the Valentine roses and teddy bear! You guys are the best and I love being your sweetheart! Love, Lauren

**THANK YOU** Alpha Omicron Pi for the rose. Love the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta.

**ALPHA DELTA** Pi would like to thank Theta Chi for the social last Friday! Let's get together again soon!

## OTHER

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**B-GLAD BISEXUALS** Gays Lesbians and Allies for Diversity will meet Wed. Feb 23 in Mendenhall room 15, 7:30 p.m. Lynn Roeder, Director of Student Counseling will be visiting to discuss mental health issues, such as coming out, etc. Meetings confidential.

**CHILDREN OF SPA** Employees Scholarship available for 2000-2001. \$1,000 awards to full-time undergraduate students at ECU with GPA of at least 3.0; other criteria must be met. Application deadline is April 1, 2000. For application materials and additional information, contact Vicky Morris, Institutional Advancement, 200 East First Street or call 328-5685.

**THE LOVELY** ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. invite you to their second annual "Black Family Feud". Last year featured guests of the Greeks of ECU, this year the competition is even hotter. The ECU Football players will take on the Boys Basketball players and the Boys and Girls Track Teams will compete to see who knows their history. Please come out and support the Pirates and the prestigious ladies of Pink and Green! Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m. Mendenhall room 244. It's free!

**CHOOSING A Major** and a Career: This workshop is designed to help you explore your interests, values, and abilities to find out possible career and major choices. You will learn effective tools in the greatest hunt of your life. Contact the Center for Counseling and Student Development for more details. This workshop meets every Thursday from 3:30-5:00.

**NOTE TAKING:** This workshop shows you ways to take notes that can help you cut study time. Now you do not have to write down everything the professor says. This workshop meets on February 24 at 3:30pm. Please call the Center for Counseling and Student Development for more details at 328-6661.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DOES YOUR** organization have a web site? Find out how to build a web site for your student organization with the help of two of ECU's best. February 24, 4:00pm- Room 3004 GCB.

**TEACH AN** adult to read. Literacy Volunteers of America-Pitt County is holding a tutor training workshop beginning on February 28 at 7pm. The workshop consists of four training sessions. The sessions will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings. Volunteers will learn to teach functionally illiterate adults how to read. Persons available for daytime tutoring especially needed. Call 353-6578 today for more information or to register for the tutor training workshop. Workshop dates: Monday, February 28; Thursday, March 2; Monday, March 6; Thursday, March 9.

**4 ON-4** volleyball. Registration Feb. 22 10am-6pm at Intramural Office. Anyone interested in participating get your team together and be sure to sign up. For more information call 328-6387.

**KAYAK ROLL** Feb. 28, 7:30pm-9:30pm in the SRC Pool. Trying out kayaking has never been easier, get into a boat and practice the Eskimo roll. It's a great way to break into the sport and a must for any future paddlers. Cost is \$10/mem-\$15/non-mem. Registration deadline is Feb. 21, 5pm. For more information call 328-6387.

**EXSS MAJORS** Club will meet Tuesday February 22nd at 7:30 in the Pirate Club. New members are always welcome to attend.

**WANTING TO** move off campus? Learn what to look for in your new place, what your lease means and more. Attend "A Place of Your Own," Thursday, Feb. 24, 7-8:30 p.m. in 242 Mendenhall or Tuesday, Feb. 29, Noon-1:30 p.m. in 212 Mendenhall. Call 328-6881 for more info.

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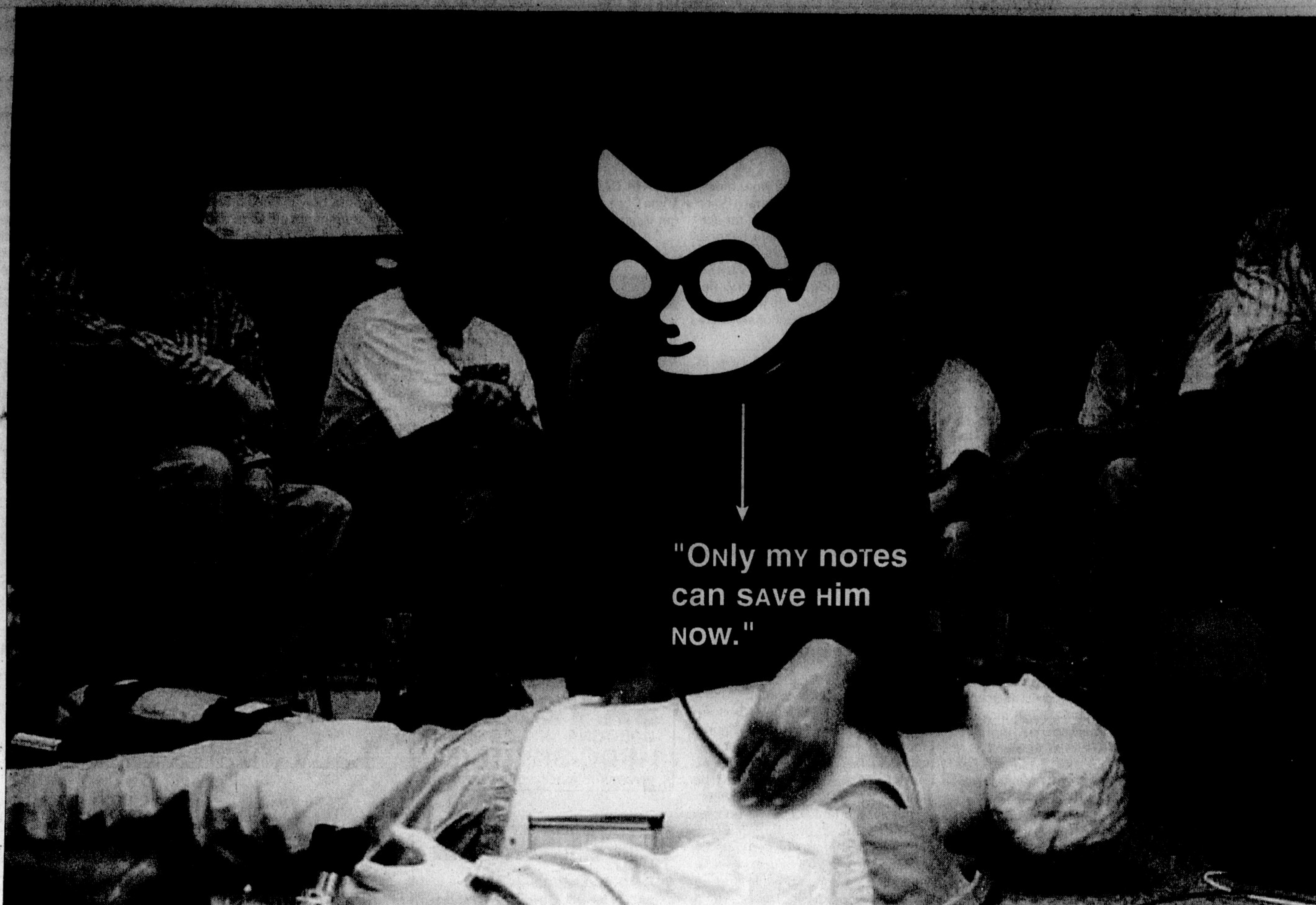
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## movie Reviews

### Jakob the Liar (PG-13)

Set in Nazi-occupied Poland during WWII, the story tells of Jakob, a Polish Jew who accidentally overhears a forbidden radio news bulletin signaling Soviet military successes against German forces. To combat the the overwhelming depression that pervades the ghetto, Jakob pretends to have a two way radio and begins to recount fictitious news bulletins about Allied advances against the Nazis to keep humor alive among the ghetto inhabitants.

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Jimmie (Chris O'Donnell) is seeing his single friends get married one by one. He isn't too worried until his girlfriend Anne (Renee Zellweger) catches the bouquet at his friend Marco's wedding. Suddenly, his wild mustang days are numbered. He finally decides to propose to her, but he sticks his foot in his mouth and botches the proposal. Being insulted by the defeatist proposal, Anne leaves town on an assignment. After she's gone, he finds out that his recently-deceased grandfather's will stipulates that he gets nothing of a multi-million dollar fortune unless he's married by 6:05 pm on his 30th birthday: tomorrow! Not being able to find Anne, Jimmie begins backtracking through his past girlfriends to find a wife.

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7:30pm / Hendrix

**24 THIRSTY THURSDAY**

Blockbuster Film: **Bachelor (PG-13)**  
7:30pm / Hendrix

Mercury Cinema: **Jakob the Liar (PG-13)**  
10pm / Hendrix

**25 FABULOUS FRIDAY**

Blockbuster Film: **Bachelor (PG-13)**  
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**26 SENSATIONAL SATURDAY**

Blockbuster Film: **Bachelor (PG-13)**  
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**THE FLAMING SKUNKS (Ska)**  
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**27 SUPER SUNDAY**

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