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NEWS BRIEFS

Literacy training

Literacy Volunteers of America-Pitt County will hold a tutor training workshop beginning with an orientation from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, followed by five sessions. Volunteers will learn to teach functionally illiterate adults how to read. Daytime tutors are especially needed. Workshop dates are May 23, May 30, June 1, June 5, June 6 and June 8. Call 353-6578 for more information or to register for the workshop.

River clean-up 2000

Students of Greenville Montessori School are organizing a river clean up. The cleanup will be held from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at River Park North. Ice cream will be provided at the end of the project. Volunteers will need long pants, high shoes or boots, and gloves. Everyone is welcome to come out and help. For information contact Heather Cameron at 355-6268.

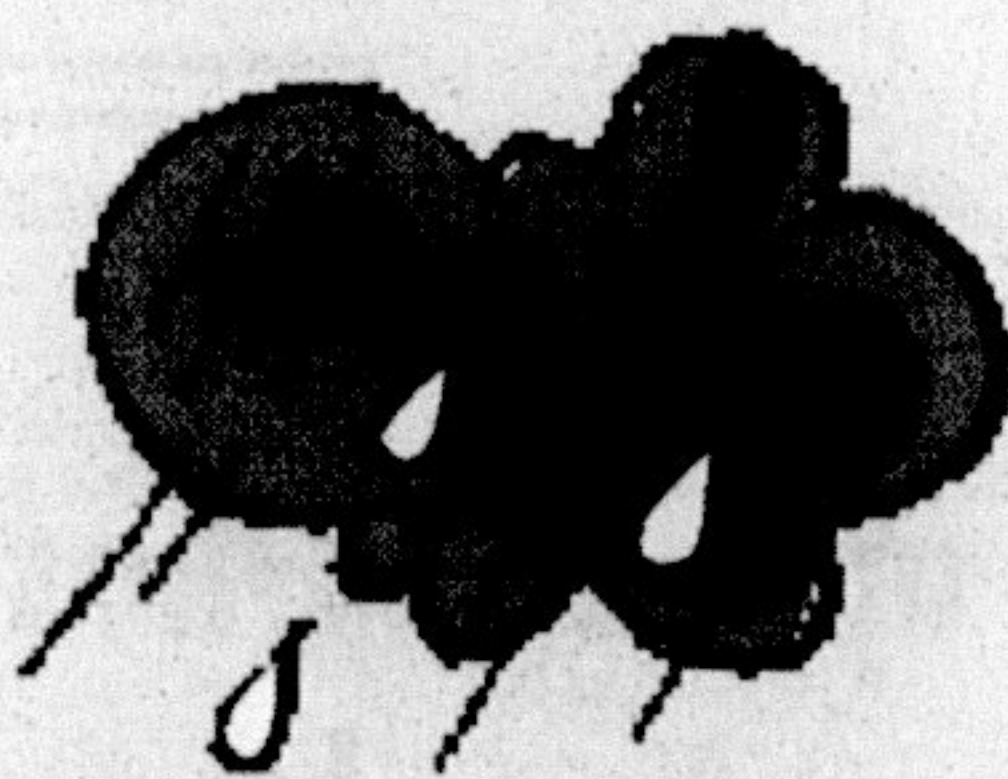
Real Crisis volunteers needed

The Real Crisis Center (RCC) is recruiting community people to become volunteer crisis counselors. Training provided by RCC. Training will begin June 5. For more information, call 758-HELP. Safety belt checkpoint and clinic A Governor's Highway Safety Program seat belt checkpoint and child passenger safety clinic will be held at 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, in the area between C.M. Eppes Middle School and Elm Street Gym.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Variably cloudy, with scattered showers and thunderstorms

High of 86°
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ONLINE SURVEY

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Are you against ECU's expansion toward the downtown area?

Search for new chancellor continues

Committee formed to review applicants for position

Angela McKay
STAFF WRITER

As of now
50-75
people
throughout
the country
are strong
candidates.

Molly Broad
PRESIDENT, UNC SYSTEMS

A 15-member committee has been named to conduct a nationwide search for a new university chancellor to replace Dr. Richard Eakin after his retirement next year as ECU's chief executive according to John Durham, director of public affairs.

"A search firm will also be retained to assist the committee," said Phil Dixon, Chair of the Board

of Trustees (BOT). "We want to be in a position by the beginning of the year to be ahead of the other campuses who are looking."

The committee is attempting to have an advertisement in professional journals by Sept. 1 for the position. The committee will be holding six public hearings during the summer to gain more input from citizens.

The first hearings will be held from noon until 2 p.m. and from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. on June 21. Meetings to follow will be held July 12 and 13, and two meetings are scheduled for Aug. 16. The committee is seeking student interests, so students are

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Eastward expansion halted

Other areas remain fair game

Carolyn Herold
NEWS EDITOR

The ECU Board of Trustees (BOT) voted Tuesday, May 12 to halt the eastward expansion of the campus that had been a key feature of the university's proposed new master plan.

The motion was put forth after lunch by vice chair of the board, Charles Franklin. It was seconded by Betty Spier, member of the BOT, and the motion passed 6-3.

According to Bruce Flye, facilities planning director, the motion to halt the expansion was brought about by pressure from the Save Our Neighborhood campaign. ECU didn't want that to hurt the passage of the bond referendum.

The proposed new master plan, under development for more than a year, has come about to accommodate projected university growth of up to 9,000 students in the next eight years. By 2008, the enrollment is expected to grow from the current 18,000 students to 27,000.

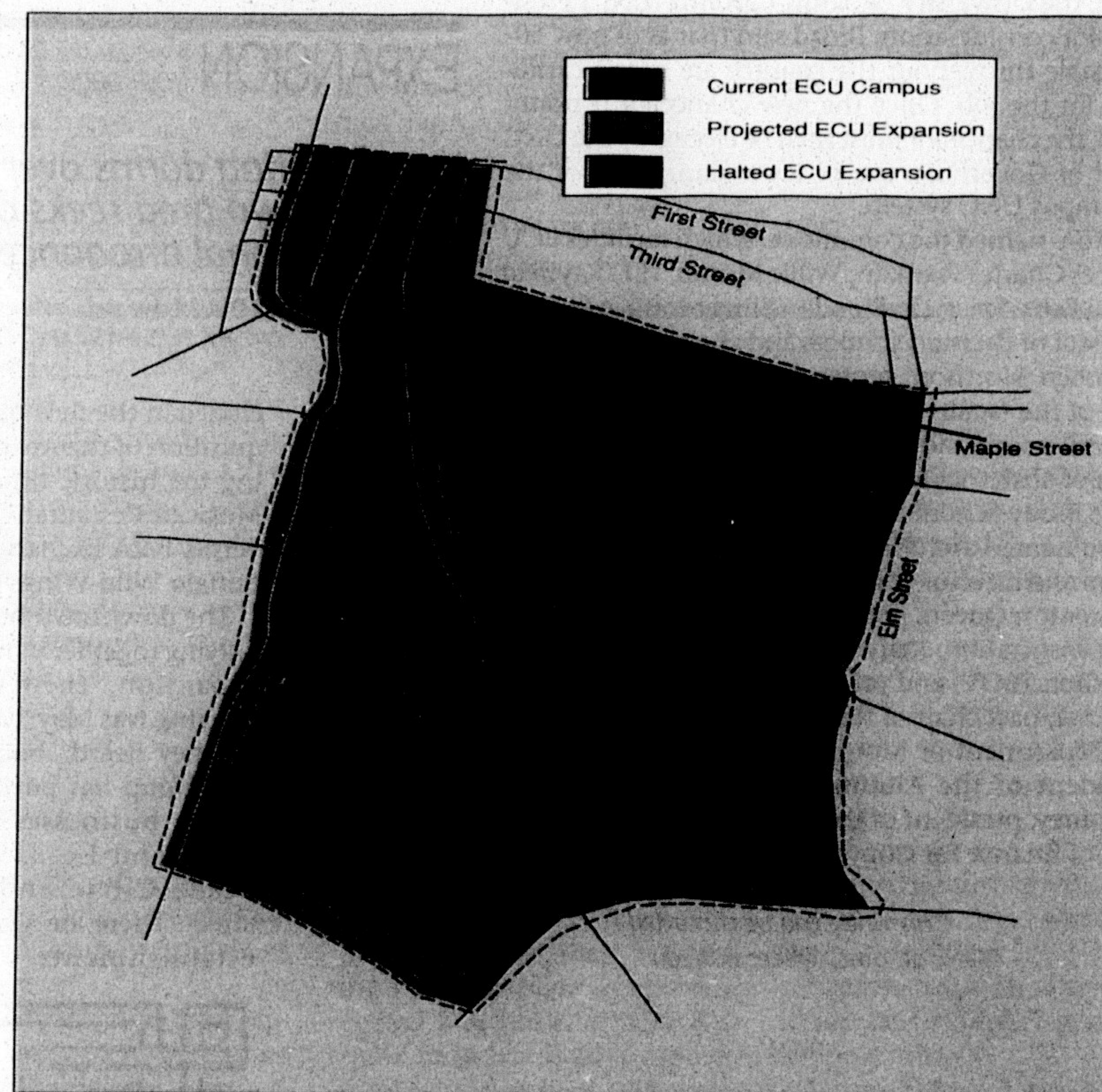
The money for this expansion would come from a bond referendum passed by the NC House and Senate on Wednesday, May 17. ECU will receive \$190 million out of the \$3.1 billion requested. According to Richard Brown, ECU vice chancellor, most of the money will be used on the existing campus, but \$7.9 million is for land acquisition.

The plan was to acquire properties east of the current campus boundary to accommodate academic buildings and a parking deck.

This area includes the area between Fifth Street and Tenth Street. Maple Street and Shady Lane would have been the first areas to be affected by the change. The university had already begun to acquire property in that region. Residents of these neighborhoods strongly objected, and formed the Save Our Neighborhood campaign to urge the university to halt the expansion. The campaign included letter writing, rallies, yard signs and months of lobbying.

The new plan focuses on acquisition of up-town Greenville, better known as downtown. In-

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▲ As of May 22, the current projected expansion plan, devised by the BOT.

NEWS BRIEFS

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Hurricane readiness

ECU will sponsor a three-day conference, "In the Aftermath of Hurricane Floyd: Recovery in the Coastal Plain," on May 24-26, to discuss plans and actions to soften the blow from future storms. The conference will be held in Mendenhall Student Center. For more information, contact Dr. John Maiolo at 328-4838.

CMN seeks volunteers

The Children's Miracle Network (CMN) needs volunteers to help with its annual CMN Champions broadcast beginning at 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, and ending at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 4. For more information, or to volunteer yourself or your group, call Bobbie Hilliard at 816-5712.

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encouraged to attend.

Once the search is completed, the BOT will forward the names of at least two finalists to Molly Corbett Broad, the University of North Carolina (UNC) President, for consideration. Broad said that as of now 50-75 people throughout the country are strong candidates for the job. Once the new chancellor is nominated, the chancellor must then be elected by the UNC Board of Governors, the policy-making body of the 16-campus UNC system.

Dixon named the committee, which includes ECU trustees Charles Franklin, Willie Martin, H.E. Rayfield Jr. and Betty Spier; Dr. Brenda Killingsworth, associate professor of decision sciences and chair of the faculty; Dr. Robert Morrison, professor of chemistry and vice chair of the faculty; Dr. Louise Toppin, associate professor of voice; and Dr. Julius Mallette, associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology and assistant dean of the Brody School of Medicine.

Also named are, Willie Lee, chair of the ECU Staff Forum and director of University Printing and Graphics; Brenton Queen, president of the Student Government Association; Kelly King, chair of the ECU Board of Visitors (BOV) and president of BB&T Corp.; Janice Faulkner, past chair of the BOV and commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles; Shelby Strother, president of the Alumni Association; and Diane Murphrey, president of the Pirate Club and vice president of finance for Copy Pro.

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Discussions continue between downtown, university

**Attorney aims for
mediation, not lawsuit**

Angela Harne
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On Friday, May 5 at 2 p.m. university representatives met with the Greenville City Manager Ron Kimble and Les Robinson, attorney for the Sports Pad and the Cellar to further discuss downtown's discrimination allegations.

According to Robinson, he became aware of the allegations this past November when Moore presented him with ten reports which alleged that the Sports Pad and the Cellar had been discriminating

against minority students.

Robinson said at that point he met with Moore and Kimble to discuss the matter at hand. He added that since then the dialogue has been shared between all three parties: Moore and Kimble, the students and the Sports Pad and the Cellar club owners.

"Robinson has worked very hard to bring about resolutions," said Dr. Garrie Moore, vice chancellor for student life. "He has always been available when called."

Robinson said that following the allegations the Sports Pad and the Cellar have installed video and audio cameras to keep watch over their employees actions throughout their shifts.

"Before the allegations came about, the tapes were recorded over night

after night," Robinson said. "But since the first of January each night is saved and filed for further reference if and when an allegation appears."

According to Robinson, he received another allegation of discrimination from Moore in February and has further investigated the event with the aid of the video. He found that the two males were talking amongst themselves but when they approached to the door of the club their attitudes and demeanors changed.

"Due to the students change of expression their credibility was taken from them," Robinson said.

According to Roberts, in order

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**"Putting dorms over the
downtown area reeks of insti-
tutional arrogance."**

Paul Edwards
OWNER, PEASANTS CAFE

cluded in the new plan is the acquisition of the Attic lot (including the historic house), Chico's Mexican Restaurant, BLT's, University Book Exchange (UBE) and Buffalo Wild Wings (BW-3).

The downtown businesses are rallying together to help stop this expansion. Their first formal meeting was May 17 (the day after they heard about the plan). The group has put up petitions in the businesses along Fifth street and Evans Street, and Reade Circle and Cotanche Street. There are signs posted in establishments all over

Greenville. The petitions had gathered around 4,000 signatures last week.

"Our stance is to put this issue as much in the public view as possible. The downtown area is not just entertainment," said Paul Edwards, spokesman for the entrepreneurs, and owner of Peasants Cafe. "There are over 44 businesses here, not just bars. We have retail shops, banks and law offices as well."

"These buildings are the oldest in the city. To bulldoze them and put parking lots and dorms where they were is totally unacceptable," Edwards said.

Phillip Dixon, chair of the BOT, said the University wanted to combine residence halls with the businesses, perhaps leaving retail space on ground level.

"Putting dorms over the downtown area reeks of institutional

arrogance," Edwards said.


If the area is acquired by ECU, the government will compensate only those businesses who own the buildings they operate out of. The government buys buildings, not businesses. The tax base for the downtown area exceeds \$1 million.

"Bruce Flye has a nice little spiel. But a little while after you hear it, and get a chance to think about what he is saying, it just doesn't make much sense," Edwards said.

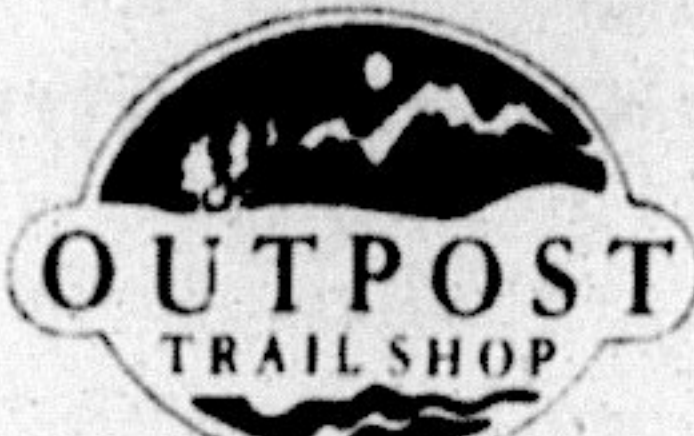
The first public meeting of the downtown businesses is set for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, at Wrong Way Corrigan on 122 East Fifth St.

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ACROSS OTHER CAMPUSES

DURHAM, N.C.—A Trinity junior was arrested May 1 and charged with willfully and feloniously engaging in a sexual act with a 14-year-old girl, a statutory sex offense.

The student, Thomas Jones, met the victim in an Internet chat room and persuaded her to meet him in Orange County after several days of online discussion, said Investigator Ned Thorpe of the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Allegedly, Jones and the victim engaged in some type of sexual activity when they met at the victim's home. Thorpe said they did not have sexual intercourse.

Because Jones and the girl used instant messages to communicate after their initial chat room meeting, no records of their conversations are available, Thorpe said.

The girl informed her parents of the incident, and her parents subsequently called the police.

On the day he was arrested, Jones was placed under a \$10,000 unsecured bond by a Orange County Magistrate.

The following Wednesday, Jones appeared before Chief District Judge Joe Buckner who ordered that Jones be held under

an \$10,000 secured bond.

Thorpe said Jones posted bond, although the student later informed authorities he could not afford an attorney to represent him in court. Jones is scheduled to appear before Buckner June 18.

If found guilty, Jones could be sentenced to up to seven years in prison.

Thorpe said police do not know where Jones is now living, and Jones did not return phone calls from his Washington, N.J. residence.

Although these types of crimes are not frequent in Orange County, Thorpe said, they happen occasionally.

COLUMBUS, Ohio—After her 8:30 a.m. History 151 class, Robyn Bragg and about 30 other classmates waded through the piles of trash and sleeping bags in their temporary Bricker Hall classroom Thursday to march into the Office of Academic Affairs (OAA). Their mission was to protect what they thought was the fate of their instructor's job at Ohio State University.

Chad Montrie, a doctoral his-

tory major and class instructor, is a strong supporter of the OSU service workers' strike and has refused to cross picket lines. He has held his class in various places such as the CWA Union Hall, the Oval and Bricker Hall since the beginning of the strike.

Following e-mail complaints from students to Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies Martha Garland regarding the inconvenience of the classroom location, Montrie was warned on Thursday that he needed to return to teaching in a regular classroom or another instructor would be taking over his class.

In addressing student concerns about the strike, President William "Brit" Kirwan said in a full-page advertisement in the Lantern last week that students who felt that their instructors were not respecting their right to an education should contact Garland.

"Students expressed concern that the class was not being taught in an appropriate location because it is hard to sit on the floor with the garbage and the people sleeping in the morning," Garland said. "Most instructors made their statements and have gone back to the classroom."

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for the Minority Coalition and the Black Student Union (BSU) to solve the problem within the clubs he represents, he needs more evidence.

"I need times, places, bouncer's names and a synopsis of the situation," Robinson said. "I, the Sports Pad and the Cellar owners want and need this information to help end these occurrences. I promise that if all the needed information is given and I find that the allegations are true, then the employee displaying the discriminating actions will be fired."

He added that the clubs he represents have a zero-tolerance policy and look down upon targeting.

"[Targeting] Meaning if a minority tried to enter a club and I was the bouncer, and you gave me your id and I asked for another one, and then asked you for membership and then told you that you could not wear those types of pants in the club—that would be targeting," Robinson said. "And the Sports Pad and the Cellar have zero-tolerance for it."

Na'im Akbar, co-chair of the minority coalition, did not see where the clubs instilled their zero-tolerance policy.

"I believe that everyone has a right to enter a public place," Akbar said. "And there is no doubt in my mind that discrimination is going on downtown, and it has been going on for years."

Robinson said that he has been viewing the video tapes and, in one night alone, found that 60 whites and 10 blacks were denied entry.

"Well, you can make numbers say anything you want them to," Akbar said.

He added that these reoccurring meetings have not accomplished anything because discrimination is still taking place.

Steven Carmichael, vice president of the BSU said he believed that if Robinson viewed, at the most, three tapes he would find countless acts of discrimination.

Robinson said he is willing to work with the minority coalition and the BSU to work through the issue at hand.

"My door is always open," Robinson said. "And I believe it is very credible to the Sports Pad and the Cellar owners that have taken an initiative to work with you to solve this matter."

Marcus Frederick, member of the BSU, said that the club owners character is irrelevant.

"They [the club owners] are not there all of the time so they do not know what is always happening," Frederick said. "Yet it is their club and their responsibility."

Robinson said the allegations will continue to be investigated and he will begin work on the April undercover test when the documents and tapes are given to him.

"I hope we can continue to work this out through dialogue," Robinson said. "And we can meet again if necessary."

Kimble said the next step would be to further investigate the new evidence.

"Hopefully when we meet again the rest of the downtown clubs will be represented," Kimble said.

The university was represented by Moore, Akbar, Carmichael, Frederick, Yolanda Thigpen, member of the minority coalition, Brent Queen, Student Government Association (SGA) president and SGA Treasurer Sadie Cox.

Robinson is an ECU alumni and has studied criminal law for the past 14 years.

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CRIMESCENE

May 7-8

Larceny—A "Ronald McDonald statue was stolen from the McDonalds at 1300 West Arlington Boulevard. The statue and the 4-foot bench was taken sometime between 11 p.m. on May 7, and 9 a.m. on May 8.

May 15

Larceny—A staff member reported that 24 plants were stolen from various flower beds in the Reade Street parking lots.

Larceny—A staff member reported that a hanging basket located south of Career Services was stolen.

May 18

Abandoned Drug Paraphernalia—A staff member reported finding a plastic water bottle with dryer sheets and residue in a room that was being inspected. It is unclear if the former residents of the room left it since the room has been unsecured since the dorm closed.

Suspicious Activity—A student reported an unknown person followed her from the Rawl Building to the Jenkins Art Building around 4:15 p.m. She said that he tried to have a conversation with her and then ran up to her vehicle as she was leaving.

May 20

Assist Residence Hall Staff—A staff member reported that two males reentered a room in Cotten Hall after they had been escorted from the dorm. Officers escorted the two non-students from the building a second time.

Driving While License Revoked, Displaying a Fictitious License Plate—A non-student was issued a state citation for the above stated charges after being observed operating a vehicle with a fictitious license plate.

Water Leak—A staff member reported a water leak in several rooms in the BMS. A building check revealed water leaks in four locked offices on the fourth through seventh floors.

Medical school admission to scholarship recipients assured

Scholarship attempts to attract superior students

Carolyn Herold
NEWS EDITOR

A new scholarship program has been created to help students attend medical school. Currently in its first year, this program pays \$5,000 a year for ECU tuition and fees and guarantees admission to the ECU School of Medicine.

The Early Assurance Program Scholarships are the first of their kind in the state. The scholarships guarantee admissions to the School of Medicine, as long as the student retains a good grade point average as an undergraduate. The students will be exempt from the usual standardized test requirements, such as the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), or the Medical College Admissions Test (MGRE).

There are similar programs in place for the department of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and communication sci-

"It is advantageous for the students and for the university..."

Dr. Thomas Powell
DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS

ences disorders. The recipients are four North Carolina high school students: Drew Davis of Weddington, Benjamin Dieter of Fayetteville, Jennifer Foushee of Sanford and Samar Singh of Smithfield.

Dr. Thomas Powell, director of admissions, said the scholarship program is designed to make ECU even more attractive to outstanding high school students who want to pursue a career in the health care profession.

"It is advantageous for the students and for the university," Powell said. "The students will be freed from the pressures of seeking admission to graduate programs, and the university will gain more truly top-notch students."

The students were selected be-

cause of their high school grades, essays, extracurricular activities, teacher recommendations and SAT scores. All students rank in the top five percentile of their class, and scored a 1,300 or higher on the SAT. They each applied for a Merit Scholarship, and were selected in the scholarship pool to be interviewed by the selection committee and by the medical school administration committee. The students will be mentored by members of the medical school during their time as undergraduates.

The ECU School of Medicine accepts a total of 72 entering students each year.

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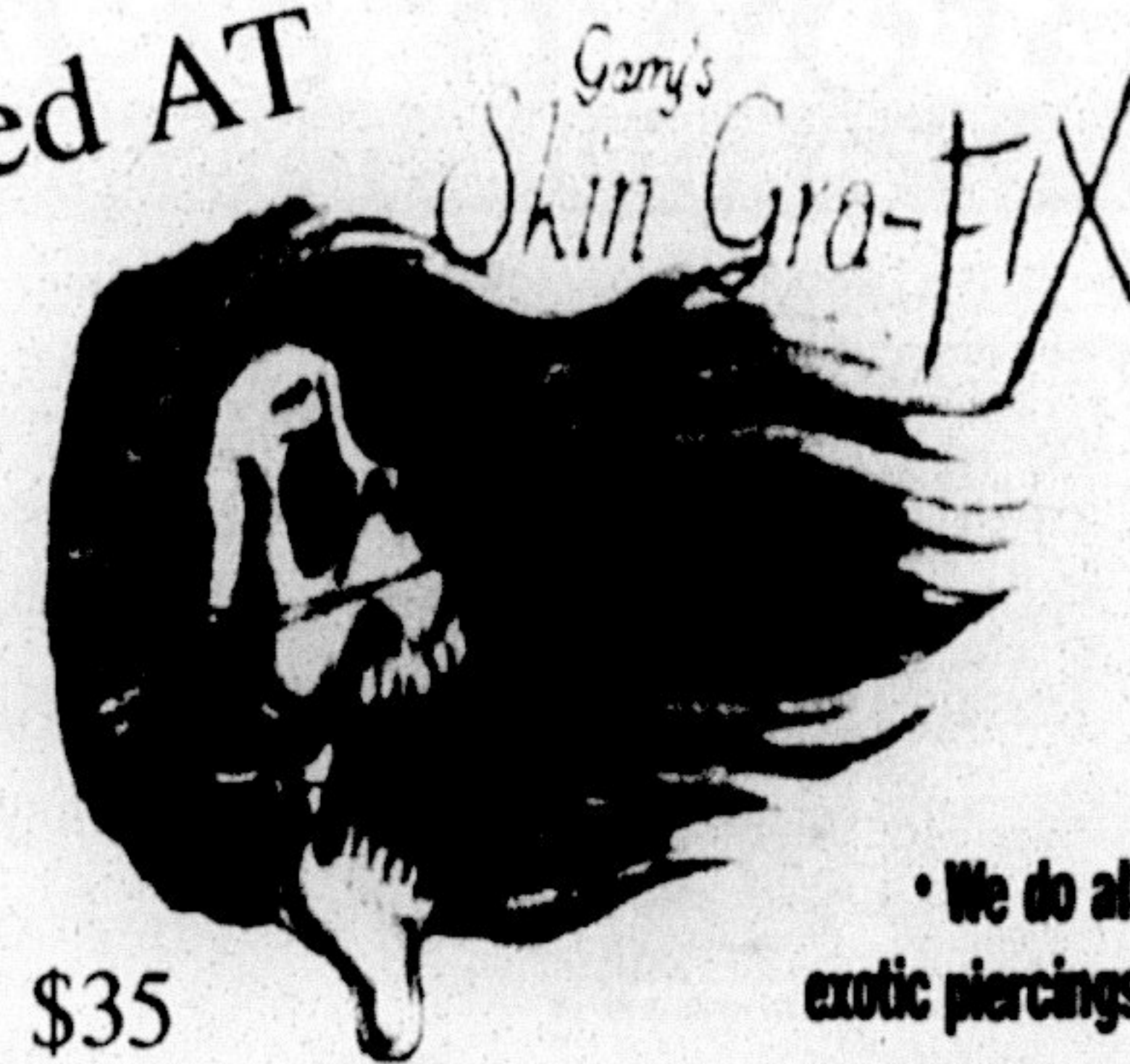
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OUR VIEW

We are in grave danger of losing our downtown area, thanks to the Board of Trustees' proposed expansion plan. We as students need to band together and rally support for the various retail shops, restaurants, banks and law offices of downtown Greenville.

These business owners do not work for large nameless, faceless corporations. They own local businesses. We see the owners at football games and in the supermarkets. They are our neighbors. Their businesses provide for the heart of Greenville. These owners live in Greenville, pay taxes, send their children to school and buy cars here. Their money stays in Greenville. It is downtown that gives ECU students access to local and national entertainment, dinner, clothing and employment.

We believe that if this area is taken away, there will be no need to expand our campus after all. ECU will lose much of its attractiveness, especially to incoming students. Keep in mind that every other college has a downtown area for the students to call their own. North Carolina State University has Hillsborough Street, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill has Franklin Street and ECU has 5th Street.

If bulldozed, some of these business owners stand to lose everything. Any owner who leases their building will not be compensated by the government. These owners will lose out big. Take The Attic, located in a leased building. This club has been rated one of the best music venues in the Southeast. Think of how the music scene in Greenville will suffer without The Attic. Think of the owner, who, after 20 years will be forced to start all over.

There are alternatives that do not include getting rid of citizens' homes or businesses or jobs. ECU could raise the requirements for admission. This alternative would kill two birds with one stone. It would help to improve ECU's reputation, as well as curb the growth. It is true that this would take some work, but we think ECU should think twice before bulldozing a good thing.

OPINION COLUMN

Graduation: Don't miss out

Leigh Murphy
OPINION COLUMNIST

After graduating high school, the average student is so anxious about college that he or she may not be prepared to even think about the next big day to come: college graduation.

Shortly after classes begin and a routine for the next four years is set, there is only hope and patience amongst students that one day the final frontier of college completion will be at hand. For me it was the last weekend—sort of. I am one of the lucky people that was given permission to participate in the ceremony and then finish my one remaining class during the first summer session. Regardless, last weekend was one I will always remember—I finished college!

Sweating, we lined up under the stadium seats of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, annoyed at the entire process and the fact that we had to stand, for what seemed like forever, without a breeze passing our way. Once we saw people moving and heard the inevitable graduation march that we have been singing in our heads for weeks, the joy about the day resumed.

As we filed into the stadium we could see and hear the crowd screaming and cheering for us amidst the wind ensemble's playing of 'our' song. We then proceeded to the seats that we would have to sit in for an hour's worth of motivation. That may sound rough, but I can only begin to try and express the variety of emotions we as graduates felt as we walked on that grassy field for the first and last time.

For those of you who have not had the opportunity to graduate, do not give up. As we were told throughout Judge James Wynn's address, we have to "be quick, and swing slightly upward" in order to fulfill our desires, hopes, dreams and any aspiration within our hearts. His address as well as the words of our esteemed faculty made this final college ceremony worthwhile.

I certainly do not mean to leave out the incredible send-off we were given by our department Friday morning. This presentation of awards brought home the impact that the professors have on students. Not only do they teach us knowledge about our area, but they also enlighten us to an extent that only we can comprehend. The faculty of ECU has shown us the true meaning of excellence. And this weekend, while my family sweated in the stands and sat crunched together in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall, they were able to observe the very individuals who have guided myself and the rest of the graduates through our college years.

I urge those who will be graduating next semester to please attend your graduation ceremony. The university and departments spend time organizing these events, and on Saturday morning there were rows of empty seats. I realize that some parties were not meant for all people, but the university presented this one to us and I only hope that someday you will be able to understand and realize what you missed. Hindsight is always 20/20, and I know I would have regretted not attending this ceremony.

Don't miss it.

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OPINION COLUMN

Why we should protect downtown

Carolyn Herold
NEWS EDITOR

Did you know we are in danger of losing the downtown area? That's right. By whom, you may ask? By none other than the school whose students these businesses serve.

ECU is planning to take over the downtown area in the name of expansion. They couldn't have the neighborhoods, so they are now going after the next closest area. Sound like anyone familiar? The Blob, maybe? The Huns? A nasty virus? This expansion plan is wrong. If downtown goes, so

does the entire college atmosphere of Greenville.

Before I started ECU, I had heard for years that I would "have to go to Greenville to check out the great music scene." So I came down before graduating high school to check out the scene. The first place I went to was The Percolator. I loved the laid-back atmosphere, and the clientele was mostly college-aged.

Then I went to Cubbies. The atmosphere was a far cry from that in Raleigh, where I grew up. The owners didn't mind that the restaurant was filled with college kids, not to mention a kid in a

rumpled prom dress, and one in wrinkled tux pants. Needless to say, I was impressed.

I chose ECU not because I was accepted and not because of its reputation, but because of the ambiance that the businesses downtown create. They give the college students here a place to cut loose and have fun without worrying about school for a while. The downtown owners also have a good working relationship with the young people of this town. To me, the downtown area is something that is a necessity to college life.

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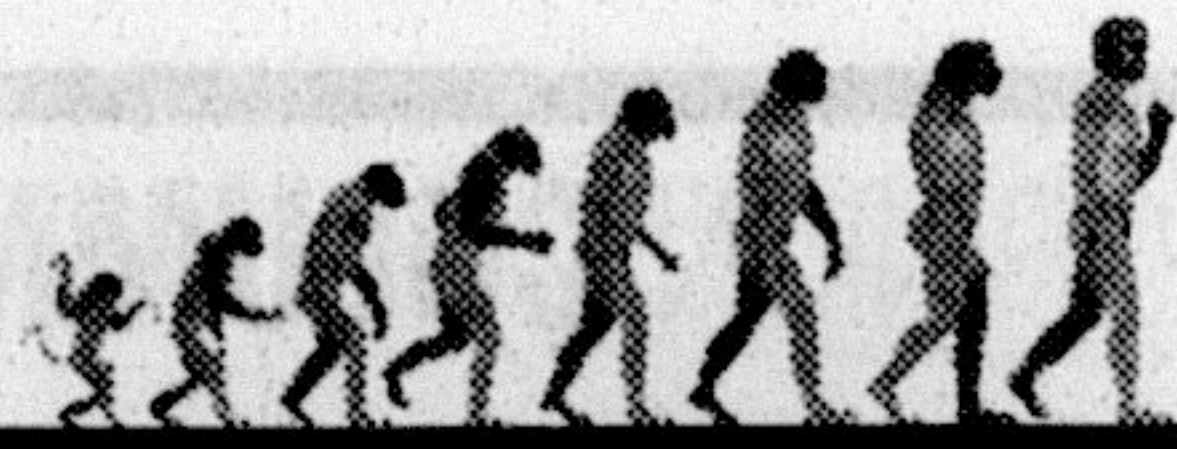
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Suspect caught with instructions

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP)—A Lynchburg woman was charged with five counts of passing counterfeit bills after police found a bogus \$20 bill—and instructions on how to make it—in her purse, according to court records.

Kristin Elliott, 22, was arrested after a fast-food cashier called police and reported a customer handed her a fake \$50 bill at the drive-through window, a search warrant filed Wednesday in Lynchburg Circuit Court says.

Police said the clerk's description of the car and the customer led them to Elliott, who turned over a bank envelope containing \$400 in counterfeit bills.

Officer J.R. Miller wrote in the warrant that the bogus bills were made on Elliott's personal computer.

Man kidnaps driving instructor

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Lesson No. 1 for prospective drivers: It's probably not a good idea to kidnap the instructor.

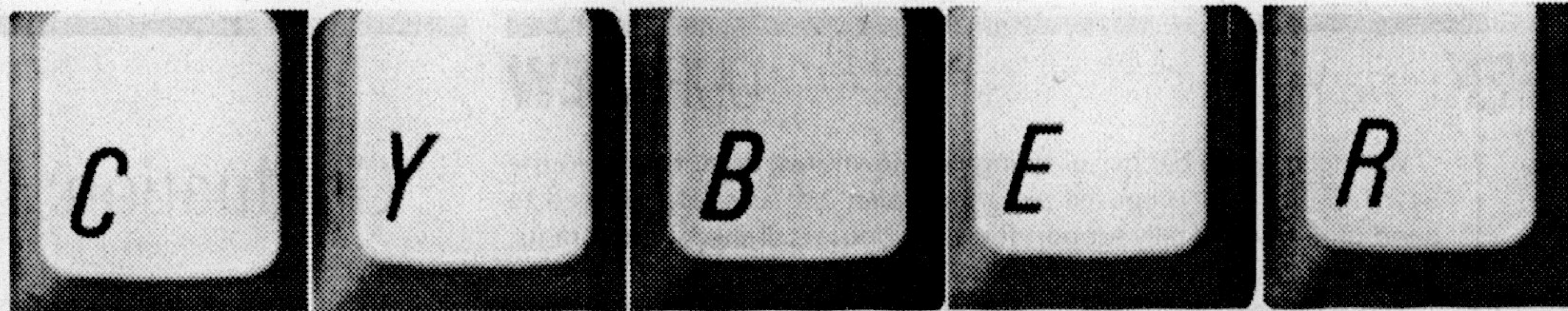
A Portland man allegedly did just that after an instructor flunked him Wednesday. Elio Roberto Padilla, 44, was arrested on a second-degree kidnapping charge.

His test didn't get off to a good start.

When instructor Ruth Ramos got into his vehicle, Padilla shifted gears to drive and hit the curb—an automatic failure.

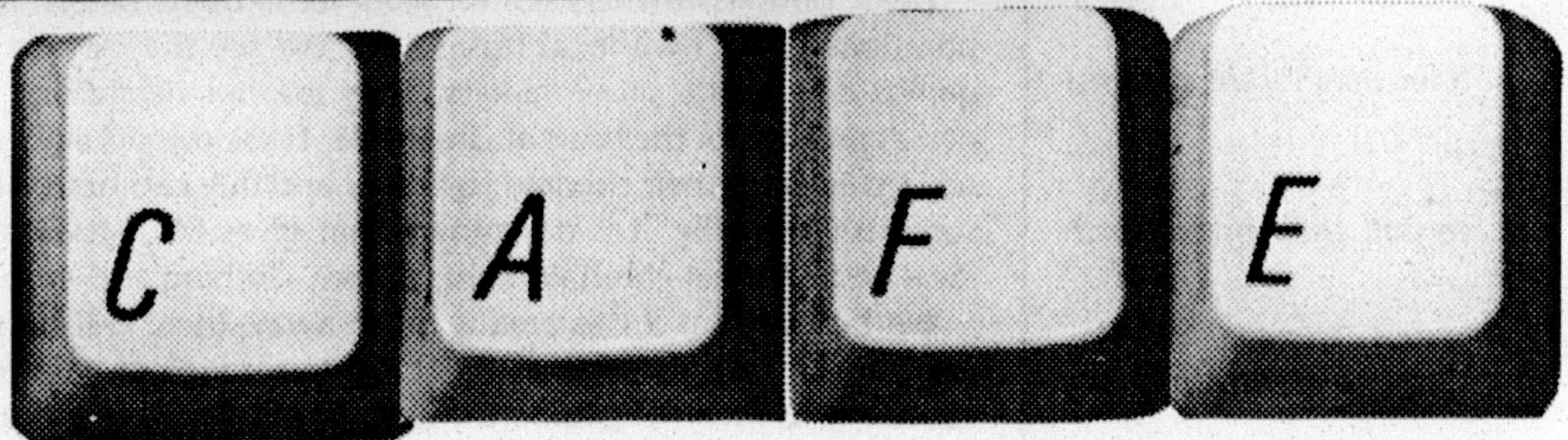
Police said Padilla asked for another chance, but Ramos refused. So Padilla started driving through a parking lot with Ramos still inside the car.

Ramos said he refused several requests to stop. Finally, he stopped and Ramos was able to jump out. Padilla was arrested a short time later.



Emily Little
FEATURES EDITOR

Up on the top floor of Mendenhall Student Center (MSC), overlooking the lobby and surrounded by works of student art, sit four seemingly innocent rectangular tables that have one-upped the way we view the world from



Junior Lori Chaney uses one of the new computers in Mendenhall. (Photo by Garrett McMillan)

our comfy little chairs. It's called the Cyber Cafe, and it's just for us.

Unlike the touch-screen internet kiosks that dot various locations around campus, the Cyber Cafe includes a keyboard, making it possible to use text and to select individual Web sites not in the list of provided links. But don't think you can use the university computers to ogle over porn stars, security features have been installed to prevent offensive material from appearing on the desktop. What the four Cyber Cafe computers do include are links to various magazine and newspaper Web sites, a healthy handful of games, job finders, weather and the ECU student desktop. There is e-mail available also, although for the time being the ECU Exchange is inactive.

While European and big city counterparts provide Web surfing for a fee in coffee houses, our Cyber Cafe is free and aimed at students. It is located right next to the currently-expanding Spot.

The prototypes were originally installed in the MSC basement computer lab right before Hurricane Floyd. They were moved upstairs this past April to receive more visibility.

The project is the brain child of Leon Gipson, an ECU computer

consultant and part of the Web development team. He has been working on getting it off the ground for years. Still in the testing phase, he relies mostly on user feedback to make changes. The homepage, a temporary design, includes a user survey for just that purpose.

"They're still not perfect," he said. "I'm trying to build upon that operation and make them better."

By fall semester he hopes the computers will run free of glitches.

In the meantime, he plans to install another Cyber Cafe in the Galley this summer, and maybe more in other campus locations if reception is positive.

"This is a learning process," Gipson said. "Kind of look at this as being the first generation."

The computers are underneath the table top so that while you look down at your e-mail you can set your cup of joe and pastry down beside you. It's all very compact and casual—no messy mouse cord, since it's attached on the keyboard. You can read

"Mad Magazine" online if you want to. In fact, that's one of the web links offered on the homepage.

One thing you can't do at the Cyber Cafe, however, is multitask. This is strictly a one-thing-at-a-time operation. Of course, if you're trying to eat a pastry and drink your coffee and read "Mad Magazine," you may not have enough brain function left to check your e-mail too.

For more information, or to put in your own two cents, contact Leon Gipson at 328-6984 or gipsonp@mail.ecu.edu.

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PICK OF THE WEEK: *Fin de Siecle* by The Divine Comedy

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FEATURES EDITOR

Quick what do you think of when you hear 'Irish band?' U2, The Cranberries, Oasis, high-pitched vocals and guitar-heavy riffs, maybe even a little yodeling. You certainly don't think of The Divine Comedy, a group from the land of Eire that has gained substantial popularity in the U.K. over the past decade but has yet to make it across the ocean to the ears of the Americas.

It's a shame, too, because their sixth and most recent album, *Fin de Siecle* (1998), is full of delightful nuances that deserve to float down the corridor in any residence hall or rented house. It's a Lou Reed meets The Moody Blues kind of sound, combined with rich, deep vocals and a little modern social commentary, occasionally dropping in a horn line that seems to echo from *Evita*. The mix of gleeful tunes and lyrical ballads is not for the uncreative.

The album opens with a female voice explaining that "Every woman should have at least two

men." From there we go into a poppy little number called "Generation Sex," that pins down the very fabric of the current generation's viewpoint on the double standards of gender. It's the kind of song your roommates catch you dancing to in the kitchen when you're cooking. And it's only the beginning.

Instead of flawlessly interwoven orchestral instruments with rock instruments, the way current musical style dictates, The Divine Comedy throws the flute, violins and heaps of piano into stanzas where they announce their presence. They drive the music, not

just follow it. In "National Express," for instance, a song that

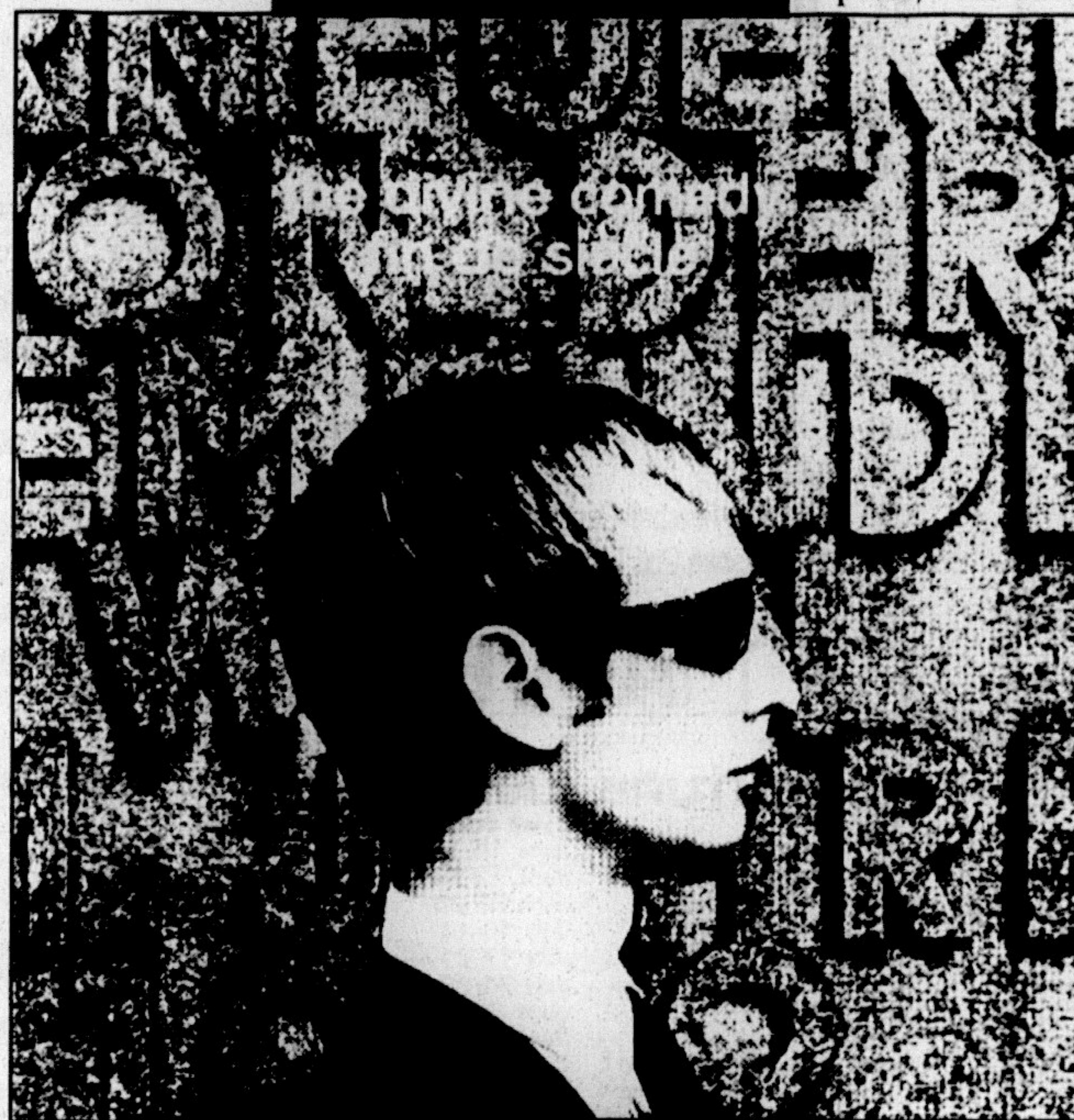
the chorus of voices that echoes it.

The only thing that disturbs the flow of matching music and voice is the sudden spoken word poem at the end of "The Certainty of Chance." The Moody Blues used the same tactic at the end of "Nights in White Satin," breaking the rule that if you're a musician and you're going to give us a poem, give it to us in a song. Notice you never hear the poem when that song comes on the radio.

If you live for Korn or White Zombie, you will detest this band, but if you enjoy listening to Ben Folds Five or Lou Reed, you will probably get a kick out of it. But keep an open mind, because this is not your run-of-the-mill Irish jig.

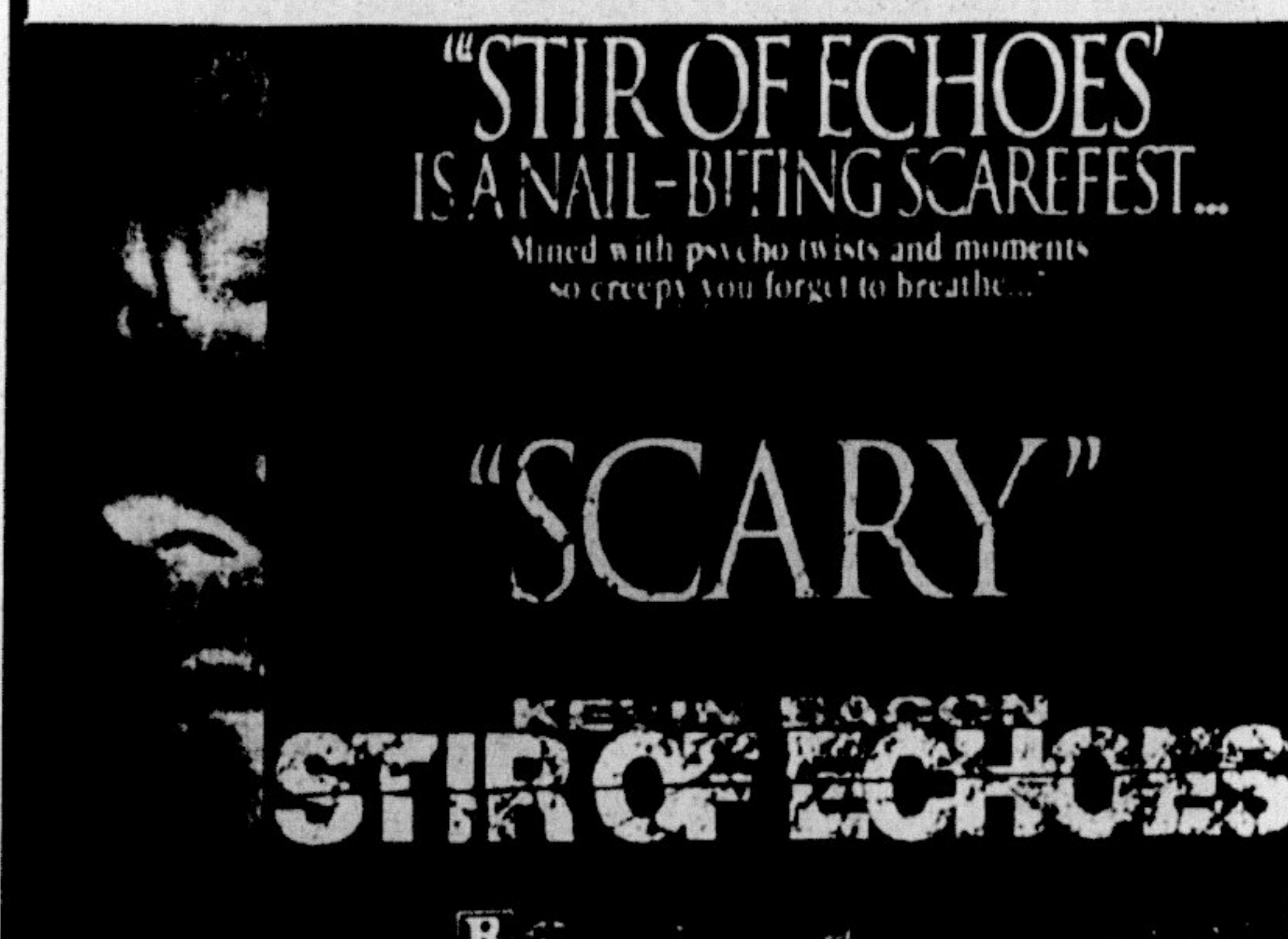
Chances are, you will have difficulty finding this album in the States, but you can order a copy or find more information about the band from their Web site, www.thedivinecomedy.com.

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transformed into a musical like the Who's *Tommy*. This probably comes from the combination of heavy orchestral inclusion and

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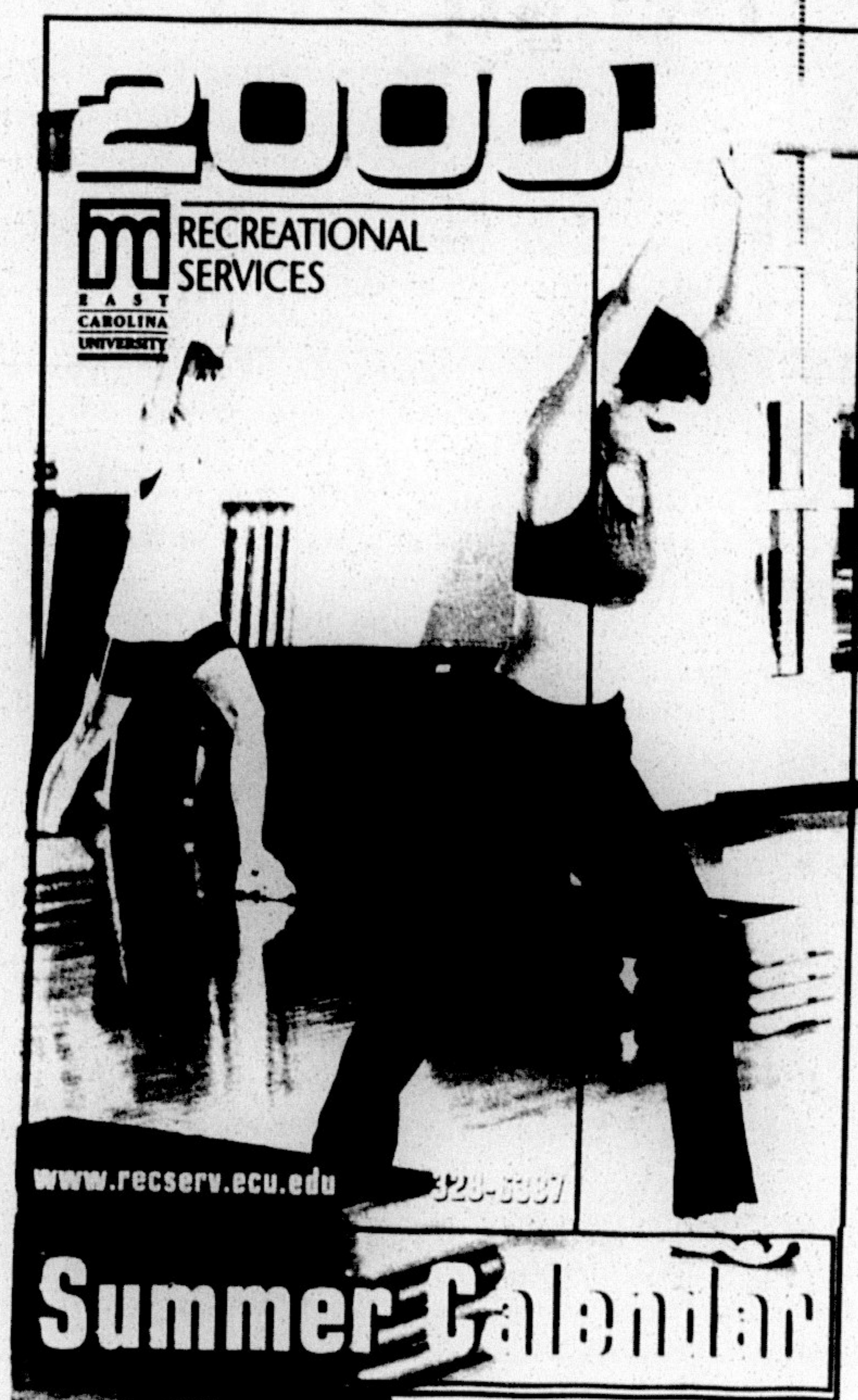
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High Adventure Camp III	June 26-30	12-17	\$140
High Adventure Camp IV	July 10-14	12-17	\$140
High Adventure Camp V	July 17-21	12-17	\$140
Advanced Adventure Camp	July 24-28	13-17	\$195
Surfing I Camp	June 26-30	13-17	\$195
Surfing II Camp	July 17-21	13-17	\$195
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SPORTS BRIEFS



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**Bridge collapses
at speedway**

A pedestrian bridge at Charlotte's Lowe's Motor Speedway collapsed Saturday night injuring scores of fans. The collapse occurred during the latter stages of The Winston, a NASCAR race at the track. Over 100 spectators were taken to local hospitals. Nearly half of those had been released by Monday. There were no fatalities.

The cement and steel bridge collapsed,

sending pedestrians 17 feet onto North Carolina Highway 29 below.

The collapse was blamed on corrosion in the steel supporting the structure.

Nets get top pick

The New Jersey Nets got the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft lottery Sunday. New Jersey will get the top pick in the June 28 draft that will be held in Minnesota. The pick comes eleven years after the Nets picked Derrick Coleman with the first pick in 1989.

The Vancouver Grizzlies will pick second while the Los Angeles Clippers and Chicago Bulls will pick third and fourth respectively.



Jarvis will stay at St. John's

St. John's basketball coach, Mike Jarvis, said Monday that he has taken his name out of consideration for the head coaching job of the Washington Wizards. Jarvis led the Red Storm to a 53-17 record over his two years at St. John's. He also led St. John's to two NCAA tournament appearances.

Sources say that Jarvis' talks with the Wizards and their general manager, Michael Jordan, were stalled because of disagreements over financial matters and control issues.

T 'Wolves' Sealy killed in crash

Minnesota Timber wolves swingman, Malik Sealy, 30, was killed in a head on collision early Saturday. The driver of the other car was traveling in the wrong direction on Highway 100 outside of St. Louis Park, Minn. The driver of the car had a previous drunk driving conviction.

Sealy is survived by his wife and three-year-old son. Sealy was drafted by the Indiana Pacers in 1992 out of St. Johns.

ECU wins CAA championship, again

**Pirates stun VCU with
ninth inning rally**

Stephen Schramm
SPORTS EDITOR

Entering the bottom of the ninth, trailing by one run in the CAA championship game, Head Coach Keith LeClair and his Pirates were not too worried about the outcome.

"I felt pretty good about our chances," LeClair said. "We had the right guys in the order coming up, we had nine, one, two. I felt that if we get to the top of the order, good things will happen."

Good things did happen, as senior James Molinari was walked and fellow senior Nick Schnabel sent a single to right field with one out to start the rally that would eventually give ECU a 7-6 win and their second CAA Championship in two years.

Sophomore first baseman, Chad Tracy sent a base hit down the third base line to score Molinari and knot the game at six. Next junior Joseph Hastings got on board to load the bases with John Williamson stepping to the plate.

"I was just trying to hit the ball hard, hit it somewhere and hope it would fall in," Williamson said. "I swung through a curve ball and I figured that they would come back with a curve ball, so I was just sitting on a curve ball."

VCU pitcher Bo Acors gave Williamson the curve ball he was looking for and the Pirate right fielder smashed it down the first



The Pirates greet James Molinari following his homerun Thursday night in ECU's 8-5 win over VCU in the winner's bracket final. (photo by Emily Richardson)

base line to score Schnabel and give the Pirates the title.

"There's no feeling," Williamson said. "We came back from behind and our team is go-

ing to be, hopefully, a number one seed somewhere."

The heroics of the ninth in-

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Baseball earns No. 1 seed

**Team will
face Marist, Friday**

Stephen Schramm
SPORTS EDITOR

With 44 wins and a second straight CAA Championship, the ECU baseball team will once again pack up and head to Louisiana for the NCAA Baseball Tournament.

The Pirates were rewarded for their 44-16 season with a number one seed in the regional that will be held in

Lafayette, La.

"That means a lot," said junior Joseph Hastings. "We have a very winnable bracket and we just hope we can go down there and continue to play the games that we've been playing."

The Pirates first opponent will be Marist on May 26.

"I don't even know where Marist is," Hastings said.

The fact is that Marist, while not among the most visible programs, did quietly put together a 32-17-2 record. The Red Foxes enter the tournament as the MAAC Champions and the num-

ber four seed in ECU's bracket.

"I do know that some of the teams that are in that tournament, that some people may not know about, are excellent teams and have excellent programs," said Head Coach Keith LeClair. "If we don't get mentally ready to play, then we'll be home pretty quick."

Also in ECU's regional are the host school, number two seed Louisiana-Lafayette and

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ning were made possible by a three-run homer off the bat of VCU second baseman, Barry Blake with two outs in the top of the eighth. Blake who was 1-for-14 in the CAA tournament before his at-bat in the eighth, belted his second home run of the season off of Pirate closer Cory Scott.

"I knew I left one over the plate," Scott said. I usually try to work inside outside and I left one over the middle so after that batter (Blake) I just tried to buckle it down and go back to pitching the way I'm used to."

Scott did get back to the form that earned him a spot as an All-American. The senior recorded four straight outs, including two strikeouts, to close the door on the Rams. Scott would pick up the win for his efforts.

Another strong pitching performance came from Outer Banks native Foye Minton. Minton playing at Manteo's Coy Tillett Stadium for the first time since he took the mound for Manteo High School, pitched seven innings and gave up three runs on four hits.

"It was nice throwing on my home field again," Minton said. "I haven't pitched out here in a while. It's nice hearing some old

voices I haven't heard in a while."

Minton held the Rams hitless into the fourth inning when a ground ball by VCU's Jason Dubois found its way up the middle.

In the bottom of the fourth The Pirates took a 1-0 lead. Hastings dropped a base hit in front of the VCU defense and Williamson sent a line drive past VCU first baseman Danny Lopaze to move Hastings to third. Hastings would score when VCU's Blake snagged Lee Delfino's line drive and attempted to get the double play when Williamson strayed from first. Lopaze dropped the Blake throw and Hastings made it to home to put the Pirates up by one.

The Rams responded in the fifth inning when right fielder Davy Martin sent a base hit into right to score catcher Cory Bauswell. Following a walk to Blake, Martin scored when centerfielder Matt Davis got a base hit to center field. Blake then scored on a sacrifice fly from VCU's Kevin Elrod to put the Rams up 3-1.

The Pirates cut the VCU lead to one when third baseman

Bryant Ward scored on a double by Schnabel. However it was in the bottom of the sixth that the Pirates displayed their power.

Williamson got on board on an error by Lopaze. With one out, Delfino stepped to the plate and sent a line drive over the fence in left. Delfino who was celebrating his 20th birthday, was later named CAA Tournament MVP. The two run home run gave the Pirates a 4-3 lead, but they weren't done. Two batters later, ECU catcher Clayton McCullough launched a solo home run with two outs to put the Pirates up 5-3.

The championship was the Pirates second in as many years and their fifth since 1990. It will also be their last as they will not be eligible for the CAA Tournament in 2001 due to the transition from the CAA to Conference USA.

"Everything else was just so overwhelming, I just couldn't think about this being our last CAA Tournament," Minton said. "I was just out here trying to have fun,"

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McNeese State.

For the second straight year, the Pirates will head to Louisiana. Last season, ECU eventually was ousted from the tournament from LSU. The regional was played at the Tigers home field in Baton Rouge.

"Baton Rouge, going down there was pretty big," said junior John Williamson. "But it was so hot down there. You think the humidity here is bad, it's pretty bad there."

"We played down there last year so we know what the weather is going to be like," Hastings said. "Weather is a question down there with it being so hot and humid."

Also for the second straight year the Pirates head into the tournament with the possibility that they will have to face a lower seed on their home field.

"Regardless of where we have had to go we were going to have to play on someone's home field so hopefully we can do it in their park," LeClair said.

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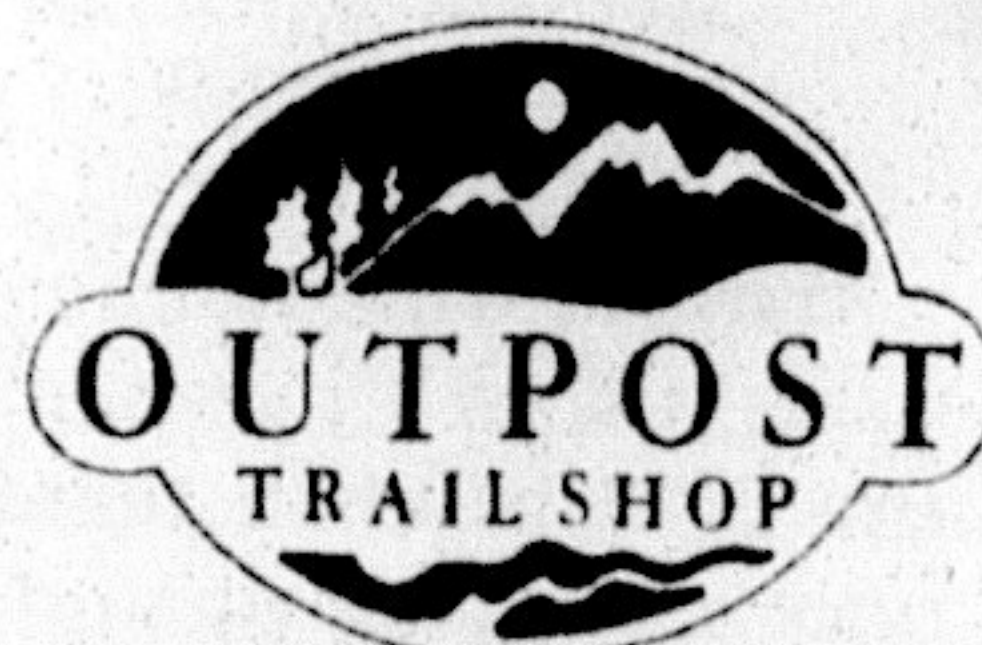


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JOANNE RICHUITTI- Please call me (237-8218) or e-mail me (hronjak@simflex.com) regarding photography. I have no way of contacting you through the message you left on my web site. Thanks, Paul.

GREEK PERSONALS

SIGMA ALPHA Epsilon-I wrote on you. You wrote on me something dirty they'll never see. We had fun with SAE. Love Alpha Phi.

CONGRATULATIONS TO the newly elected Executive Council of Zeta Tau Alpha: President Melissa Forshaw VPI: Marie Davis, VP: Sarah Hawley, VP: Lauren Biconish, Secretary: Jen Scott, Treasurer: Susan Lowerre, Ritual: Erica Griswold, Historian: Megan Guthrie, Panhellenic Delegate: Leigh Ann Atkins. Love your sisters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD SWIM Lessons. Sign up for one of two sessions. Session I is Mon/Wed June 5-June 28. Session II is Tues/Thurs June 1-June 27. The times are dependent on the child's skill level. The cost is \$30/mem-\$40/non-mem. The registration deadline is May 26. **The minimum age for participants is 4 years old. For more information please call 328-6387.

RAQUETBALL SINGLES Registration May 30, 10:00am-6:00pm in the Intramural Office for anyone interested in participating throughout the summer. For more information please call 328-6387.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NIKE REWARDS Program. This program is an incentivized based program to get you working out. The dates are now through June 16 and the time is on your own. The best part is it's FREE! Register now through May 27 in the weight room. For more information please call 328-6387.

ADVANCED SCUBA Diver NAUI Certification. Don't let your SCUBA skills get rusty. Spend two days and six dives covering spear fishing, wreck diving, deep diving and night diving. Spaces are limited and SCUBA Diver Certification is required. The cost is \$320 and the registration deadline is June 28. For more information please call 328-6387.

WALLYBALL REGISTRATION Meeting May 29 at 4:00pm in the SRC 202 for anyone interested in participating through the summer. For more information please call 328-6387.

THE LOVELY ladies of Theta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. present Skee Week. April 17: Breast Cancer Awareness Program MSC Social Room @ 7:30pm. April 18: Mr. Alpha Pageant MSC Underground @ 7:30pm (\$2 admission). April 19: Bake Sale on Yard 11-1pm.

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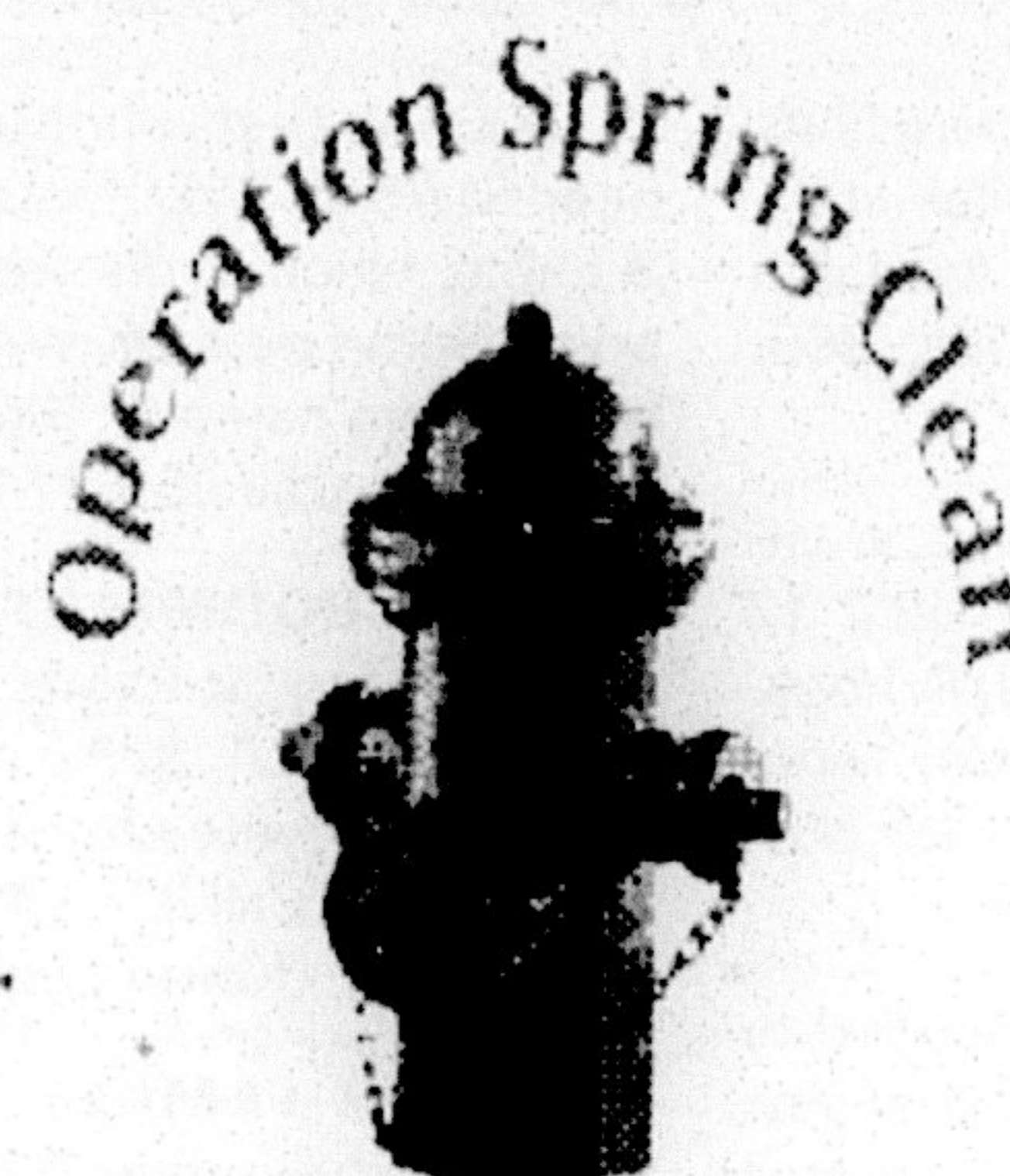
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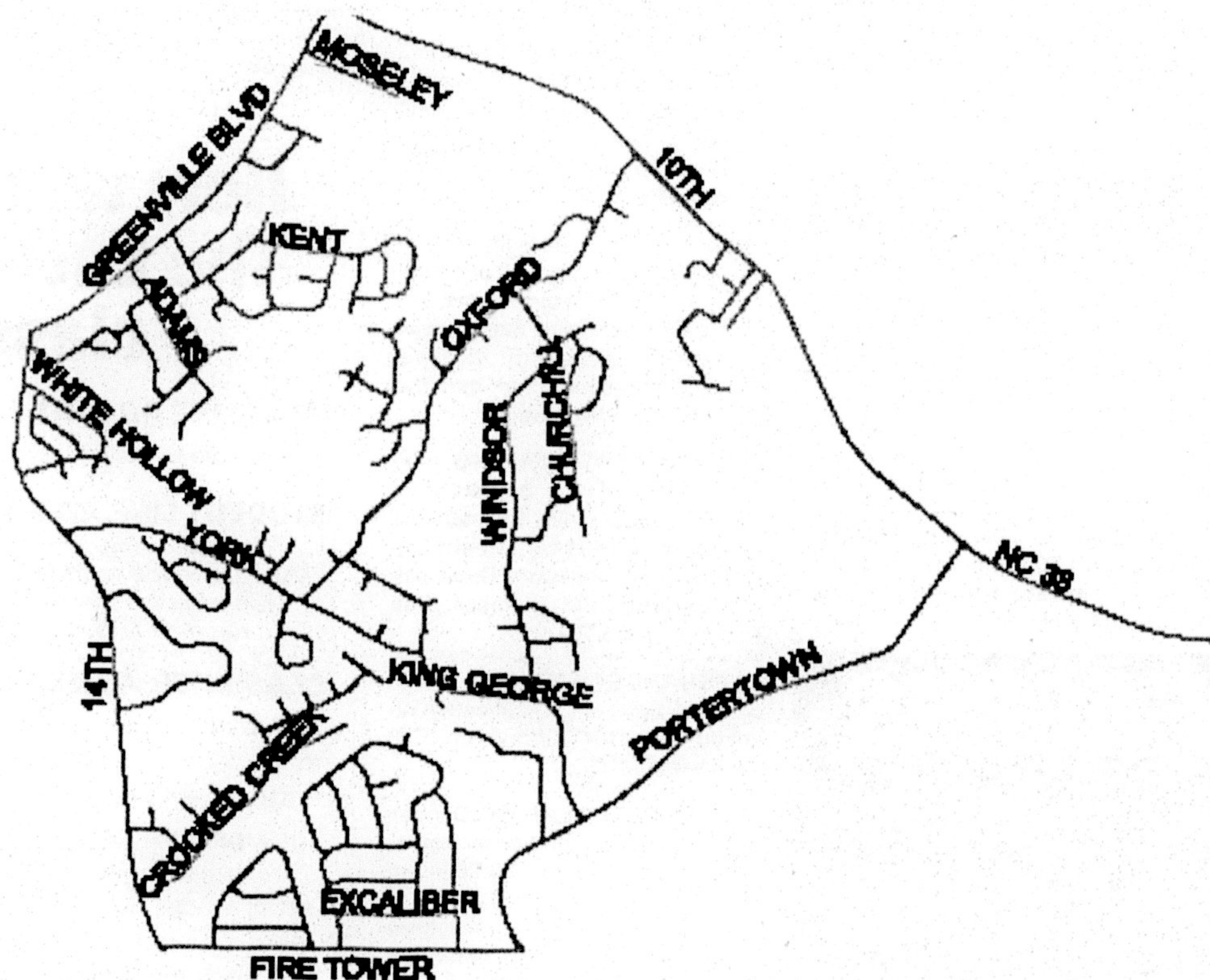
Attention GUC Water Customers!

Greenville Utilities will begin the final phase of "Operation Spring Clean" May 28 and continue through June 2 in the area **southeast of Greenville Blvd., between NC 33 East and 14th Street Extension.** "Operation Spring Clean" is a preventive maintenance program to ensure that GUC customers continue to receive high quality water. During the 11 week program all 480 miles of water distribution lines on GUC's system will be cleaned. Cleaning involves opening fire hydrants and allowing them to flow freely for a short time. "Operation Spring Clean" will be conducted each night between 10 p.m. - 6 a.m., Sunday through Friday.



If customers have air or discolored water in their water lines as a result of "Operation Spring Clean", GUC recommends turning on the cold water faucet in the bathtub and running the water for 5 to 10 minutes. Although there is no health risk, GUC advises customers to avoid washing clothes until the water is clear.

The system-wide cleaning program will end June 2. Weekly schedules will be published in the Daily Reflector. For further information, call GUC at 551-1551 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or 752-5627 after hours and holidays.



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