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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Fall Break

ECU is on Fall Break starting Saturday, Oct. 21 through Tuesday, Oct. 24. There are no classes, but the administrative offices will be open.

### Pirate Football

The ECU Pirates play football against the University of Louisville at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19 in Louisville. This C-USA clash will be televised on Fox Sports Network.

### Concert

Marcus Roberts, regarded as one of the top jazz pianists in the country, will be featured in the Performing Arts Series concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20 in Wright Auditorium. Accompanying Roberts will be Jason Marsalis on drums and Roland Guerin on base. Public tickets are \$20 and are available at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center, or by calling 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

### McNairy visit

Leigh Harvey McNairy, democratic candidate for the 3rd Congressional District, will speak at 11 a.m. today at the Wright Place.

### Community Health Fair

Two student associations from the Brody School of Medicine will host a Community Health Fair from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 on the School of Medicine's campus. The sponsoring groups are the Student National Medical Association (SNMA) and the American Medical Student Association (AMSA).

The SNMA and AMSA are committed to minority and underserved health issues of eastern North Carolina. They provide health fairs to educate under-served communities about the importance of healthy living. The entire Greenville community is invited to attend the fair. For more information contact Ken Dunham at 754-8102.

### Organizations meeting

The Campus Organization Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 30 in Hendrix Theatre. For more information contact Michael Aho at 328-8508.

### Peer Mentor Program Interest Meeting

A peer mentor interest meeting is scheduled from 5 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31 in the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center. For further information, contact the Office of Intercultural Student Affairs at 328-6495 or visit Room 203 of the Whichard Building.

### English major interest meeting

All students considering majoring in English will be able to find out more about the department, including prospects for jobs upon graduation, degree requirements and departmental offerings such as Summer in London at an interest meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31 in GCB 1024.

## ONLINE SURVEY

Do you know someone who has done Ecstasy or GHB?

Vote online at [www.theeastcarolinian.com](http://www.theeastcarolinian.com)

Do you think third party candidates should be included in the debates?

22% Yes

77% No

# Ecstasy, Liquid G use on the rise at ECU

Officials warn students of the risks of club drugs

Nancy Kuck  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Dangerous substances known collectively as club drugs are gaining popularity on many college campuses, including ECU.

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), two of the most prevalent club drugs today are Ecstasy and GHB. The drugs can be found in party settings and are usually colorless and tasteless. Because they have been frequently associated with sexual assaults they are classified as date rape drugs.

Ecstasy, in its true form, is known as MDMA (methylenedioxyamphetamine) and is a hallucinogenic that alters the mind. Recent research has linked the use of this drug to long-term damage to the part of the brain that is critical to thought and memory.

"The percentage of students using Ecstasy has been [increasing] steadily for the past five or six years, including on this campus," said Robert Morphet, Center for Counseling and Student Development. "Ecstasy is the one drug that really does cause brain damage and injury, and sometimes are permanent."

Many people use Ecstasy to become more energetic and to receive a euphoric feeling when

their skin is touched. Chronic abuse of the drug will cause symptoms such as increased heart rate and blood pressure, psychological difficulties including confusion, anxiety and sleep problems, along with muscle tension and nausea. Dehydration is also a side-effect of the drug.

According to the NIDA, Ecstasy is manufactured primarily in Amsterdam and is shipped into the United States in mass quantities. The price has dropped from \$30 per pill in Greenville three years ago to the current price of \$20 per pill. The pills are illegal and addictive.

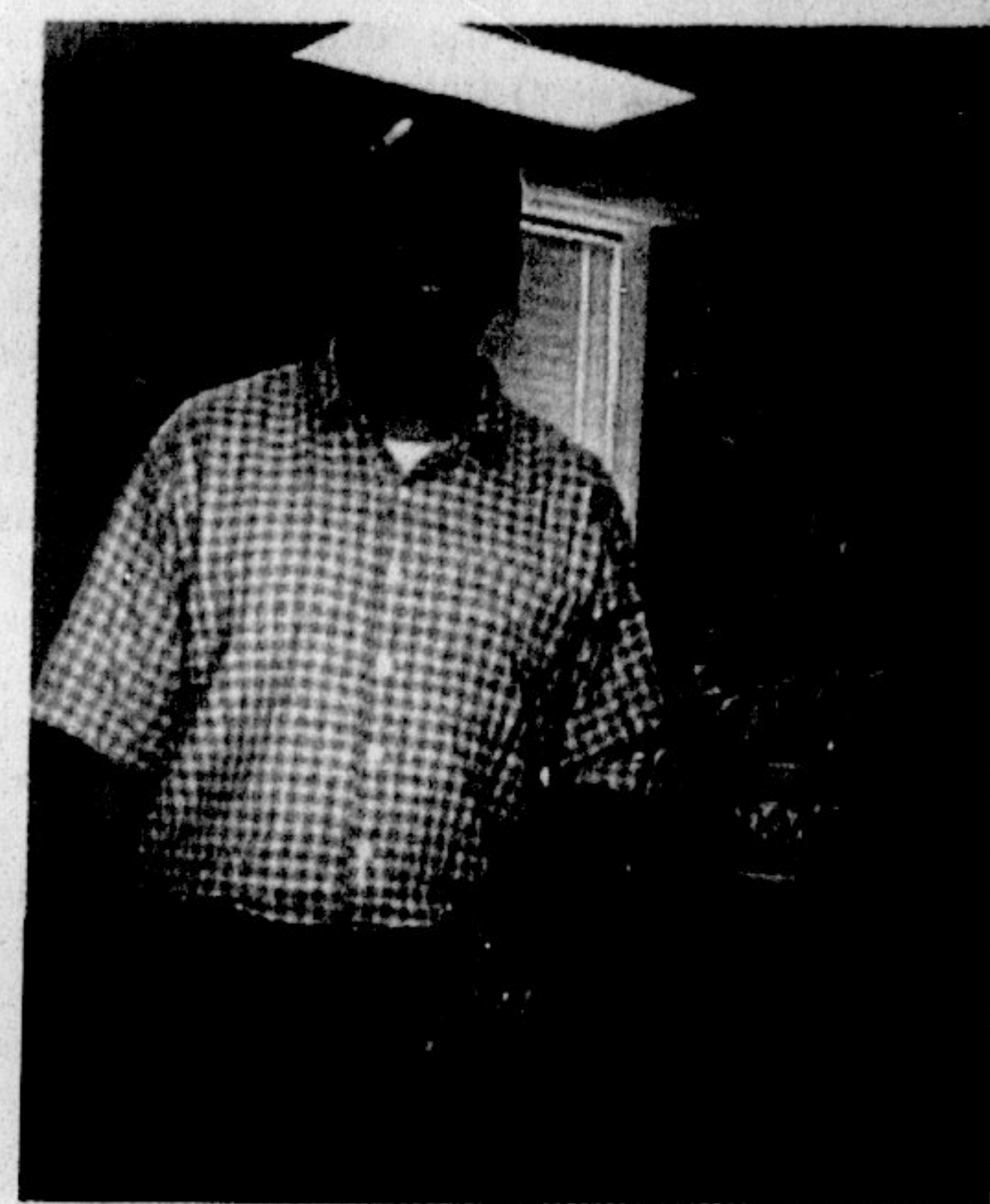
"Ecstasy use is quite prevalent here at ECU," Morphet said. "[Students who use Ecstasy] come into counseling because they are scared and are significantly depressed. They are also psychologically dependent on the drug."

The drug depletes a chemical in the neurotransmitter in the human brain known as serotonin. Serotonin helps regulate the mood of a person. The presence of too much Ecstasy in the blood will reduce serotonin levels in the brain and cause increased depression.

According to Dr. W. Wilson at Duke University, 18-20 year olds who abuse Ecstasy now, will eventually become dependent on anti-depressants.

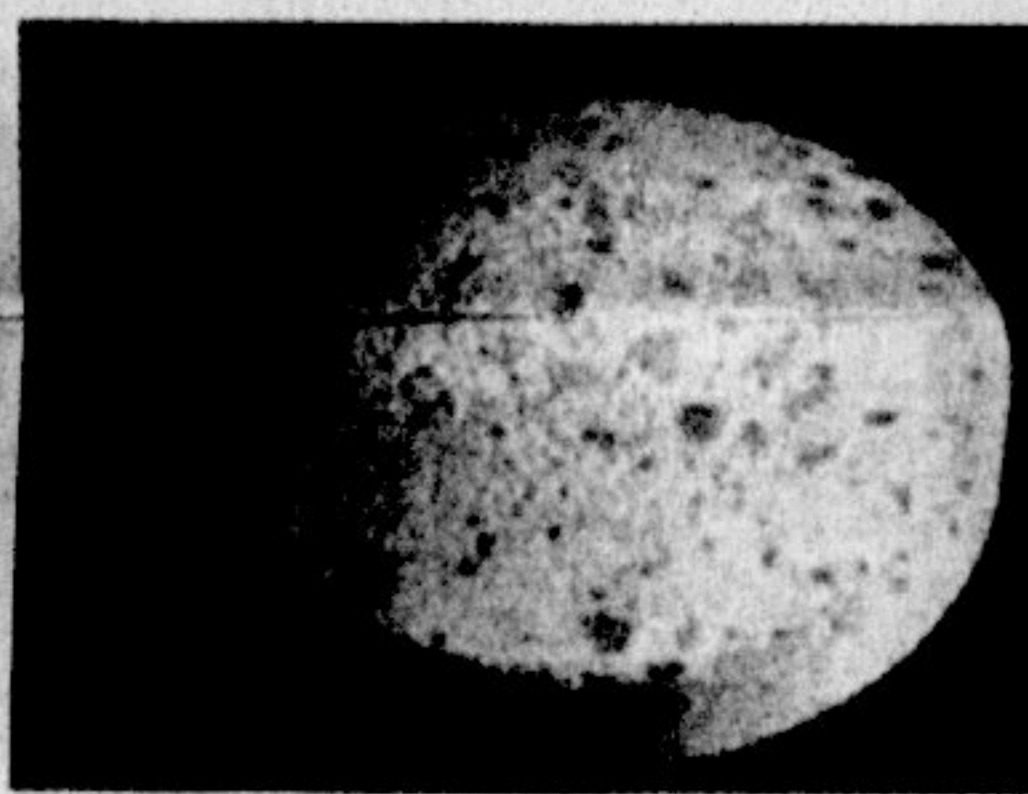
"Ecstasy was used in a lot of raves at ECU last year," Morphet said. "This year, it is used more at off-

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Above: According to CCSD counselor Bob Morphet, GHB and Ecstasy use is on the rise at ECU. His center is devoted to educating students on the risks of drug and alcohol use. (photos by John Stowe)

Left: Freshman Samantha Lizotte says she was drugged with GHB by a male acquaintance who gave her an opened drink at a frat party last year. Lizotte was unfamiliar with GHB at the time she was given the drink.



Above left: GHB is a colorless, tasteless drug most often found in liquid form. Its physical side-effects include vomiting, dizziness, loss of consciousness, tremors and can result in a coma.

Above right: Ecstasy (here in pill form) gives side-effects such as depression, anxiety, dehydration and can lead to permanent damage to the brain's nerve endings. (photos from World Wide Web)

## Students unite to Take Back the Night

University organizations march for sexual assault awareness

Nancy Kuck  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Students gathered at Belk Hall on College Hill Drive to take part in the annual Take Back the Night March Wednesday night.

The march, which was postponed during last month's Sexual Awareness Week due to rain, took place this month in accordance with Alcohol Awareness Week which is sponsored by the Center of Counseling and Student Development.

The marchers, who ranged from whole groups of student organization representatives to individual supporters, held candles in their hands and chanted, "men and women unite to take back the night."

The event began at College Hill Drive, then proceeded to 5th Street, the Student Recreation Building and commenced at the Sonic Plaza.

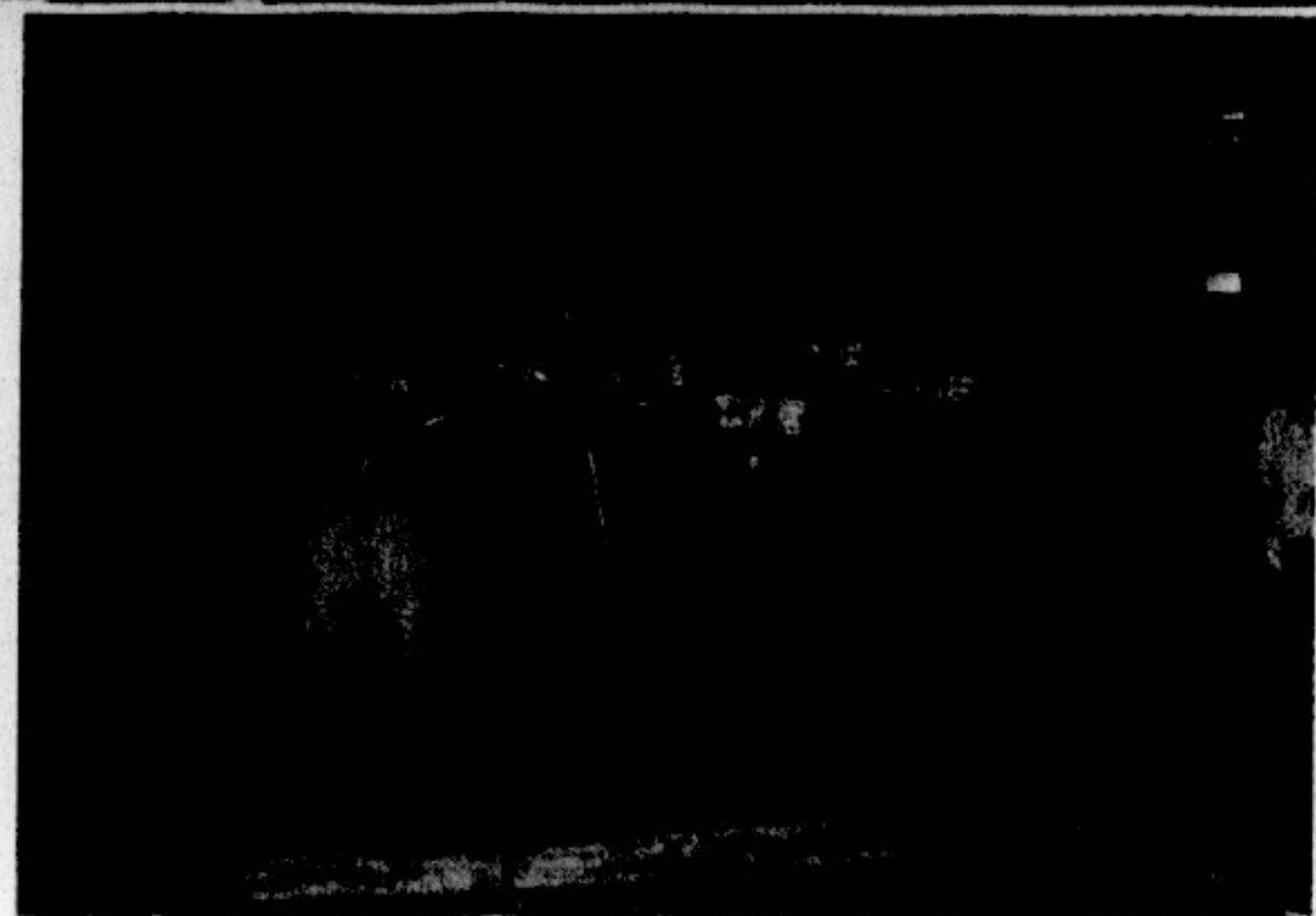
Mary L. Antineau, associate dean of students, spoke out to the crowd about memories that students will take



with them once they leave college. She added how many females leave college with the memories of sexual assaults and rapes.

"There is a saying that it takes a village to raise a child," Antineau said. "I would like to paraphrase that and say it takes a university to create a healthy environment, a climate where each of us can feel safe and have memories that we can share with our children and grandchildren."

Adrian Cox, a former student of ECU and a member of Alpha Phi Alpha, presented his view on the role of men and their responsibility toward women who are rape. He discussed the negative images of women that are



Student organizations walked together in support of sexual assault awareness Wednesday evening. (photo by John Stowe)

portrayed by the media. "I think it is really important that men be a part of this because there is a certain responsibility that we have in terms of helping the responsibilities to women," Cox

said. "It makes a stronger impact if men—specifically if the man is viewed as the perpetrator and the woman is a victim—it is

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And the winners are...



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Deborah Anderson  
Campus Crusade for Christ



H2K  
King

Justin Bailey  
ECU Ambassadors

### SKITS COMPETITION

Third place—ECU Cheerleaders  
Second place—Chi Omega/Sigma Alpha Epsilon  
First place—The Student Union

### BANNER COMPETITION

Third place—Tie between  
Elementary Education Club  
and Chi Omega/Sigma Alpha Epsilon  
Second place—Tie between  
The Student Union  
and Epsilon Sigma Alpha  
First place—ECU Chapter of the NAACP

### FLOAT COMPETITION

Third place—Chi Omega/Sigma Alpha Epsilon  
Second place—The Student Union  
First place—Epsilon Sigma Alpha

### SPIRIT CUP

The Student Union



## SGA Notes

SGA has a new executive position filled. Teresia Paul, ABLE president, has been installed as SGA External Affairs coordinator.

Teresia brings a unique and wonderful perspective to SGA. She has been instrumentally involved in the formation of the Campus Organization Council and is committed to students.

Brent Queen (President) and I had the opportunity of attending the Friends of the Joyner Library annual banquet on Oct. 5. We were proud to represent the student body at both the chancellor's reception and dinner.

All ECU students need to become more involved in supporting specific elements of their university. Brent and I were unhappy to see only few students present. Student membership is only \$1. So, help out Joyner Library and send in a buck to become a friend.

ECU needs your help on Election Day, Nov. 7. On the ballot, you will find a critical question regarding higher education capital facilities improvement bonds for North Carolina's public universities and community colleges.

The total amount of bond is \$3.1 billion. Of this amount

\$2.5 billion will be used for projects identified as critical in meeting the facilities needs of an additional 50,000 new students over the next decade and \$600 million for our friends in the community college system.

Of the \$2.5 billion for the universities, ECU is set to receive \$190.6 million. We understand that this is a great deal of money, but North Carolina State Treasurer, Harlan Boyles, who is widely admired as a fiscal conservative, has assured North Carolinians that these bonds will not require a tax increase.

Students at ECU will benefit significantly from the bond. Among the most important projects are a new Science & Technology Building on the main campus and a new Nursing and Allied Health Building on the health sciences campus.

Other main campus projects include renovation and conversion of current facilities for academic use, modernization of laboratories and classrooms, repairs and expansion of the campus infrastructure,



Michael C. Aho  
SGA CHIEF OF STAFF

and improvements in classrooms and laboratories.

Technology upgrades will be brought into the Speight, Brewster, Rivers, General Classroom, Rawl and Austin buildings. The Brody School of Medicine will receive much-needed additional library and study space to accommodate current and future enrollment growth in health science programs.

It is a great time to be part of ECU and its growing family. Please help every university of North Carolina (UNC) system student by providing needed funds for the advancement of our educational facilities. We know we can count on you to support these efforts, and our hope is that you will tell others to do the same.

On another note, if you have any concerns that you would like to address, please call or e-mail me at 328-4721 or mca0918@mail.ecu.edu. We would be happy to address your views and concerns no matter what they are. So please take advantage of this opportunity. We are your SGA, and we represent you the student.

feel very comfortable talking about it in front of everyone tonight."

During Herding's speech, students nearby gathered to listen to her story and powerful announcement of survival.

"I am a true survivor and I am never going to stop fighting," she said.

Antineau stressed the importance of unity within the university community in order to make a difference.

"Respect yourself, respect each

other," Antineau said. "Please together, let's build a university community where every person is safe to learn, is safe to joyful and is safe to care for each other."

The rates of crime and sexual assault have increased at ECU this past year, most significantly this semester both on- and off-campus.

For more information on sexual assault awareness and what to do if you are a victim, contact the Center of Counseling and Student Development at 328-6661.

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important for us to be out here to say that we understand, we are here, it is not all of us, and we are here for support."

Nicole Herding, a senior in health education, spoke out on her sexual assault that occurred in 1994.

"I want to take this negative thing that happened to me and turn it into something positive by helping others," Herding said. "I have been through a lot but I have grown from what happened and I

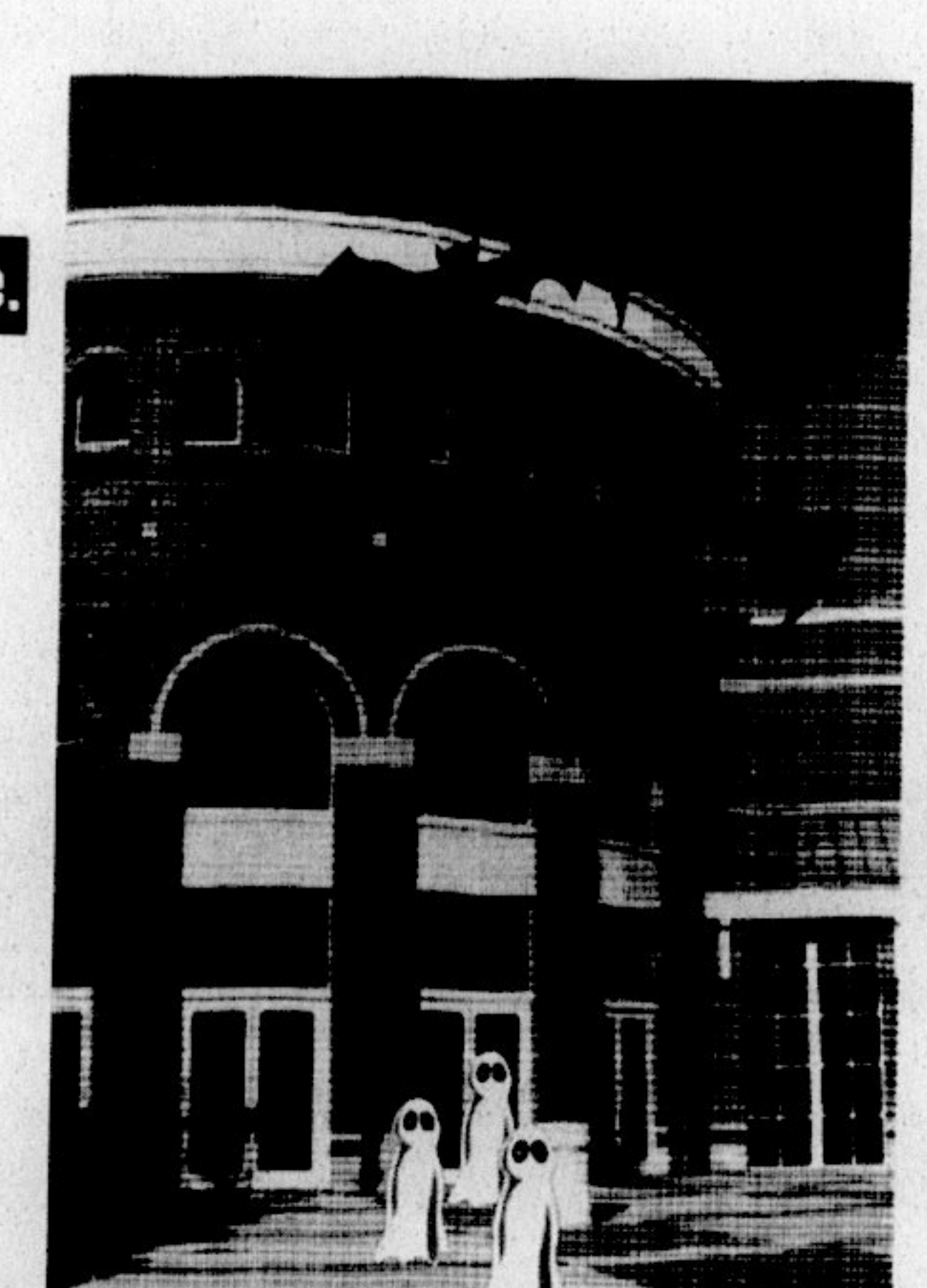


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All ECU Students will be admitted for with a valid ECU One Card. You may also bring a guest (high school age or older), but you must obtain a guest pass prior to the event from the Central Ticket Office, Todd Dining Hall Meal Plan Office, or the Student Rec Center.

Tickets for *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* will be available at Midnight Madness from 11 p.m. to midnight. All the props for the show will be provided - no outside props will be allowed.

### To Hear A Jazz Giant

OCTOBER 20 AT 8 P.M. IN WRIGHT AUDITORIUM

Don't miss jazz pianist Marcus Roberts and his trio when they bring an evening of cool jazz and classic Broadway to Wright Auditorium. Present your valid ECU One Card at the Central Ticket Office before October 20 at 6 p.m. to receive your half-price ticket. All tickets purchased at the door will be full-price.

### To View Fine Art

OCTOBER 10 UNTIL NOVEMBER 3 IN THE MSC GALLERY

Come check out "Bodies: From a Simple Life," an exhibit featuring paintings by Charlotte-based artist Kim Stimpson. Stimpson's paintings reflect an interest in contrast, texture, and simplicity.

### To Visit An Island Paradise

OCTOBER 24 AT 4 P.M. AND 7:30 P.M. AT HENDRIX THEATRE

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**Oct 16**  
Larceny-A student reported her bike was stolen from the rack south of Fletcher Hall.

Larceny-A student reported his book bag was stolen from a

locker in the Minges pool locker room.

**Oct 17**  
Threatening Phone Calls-A student reported receiving a voice mail message that contained several threats from a male.

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campus apartments and parties." GHB (gamma-hydroxybutyrate) is also known as Liquid G or Liquid E. Unlike Ecstasy, GHB is a sedative in clear, liquid form. This addictive drug tends to bring the pulse and heart rate down.

The problem with this drug is that one may be potentially stronger than the next. Its potency has the ability to intoxicate an individual into a coma.

"People are using GHB on themselves to gain that drunk, intoxicated feeling because it is like having 8 to 12 beers," Morphet said. "The other reason it is used is to slip in other people's drink to facilitate sexual assault. This is happening throughout the country, including here at ECU."

GHB causes loss of control of body movement and a person will tend to black out. Respiratory shut-down may occur from the ingestion of GHB which could lead to death. The emergency room at Pitt County Memorial hospital (PCMH) had several admissions from ECU students last year because of GHB use.

"I never heard about GHB before and did not know someone slipped it in my drink," said freshman Samantha Lizotte. "First of all, the drink I was given was an open bottle and handed to me by a guy that I had met a couple of times before."

Lizotte is one student who fell victim to GHB poisoning last year at a fraternity party. She was with a bunch of friends who discovered that a male acquaintance slipped the drug in her drink. Her symptoms occurred 30 minutes after her drink was taken away. These

symptoms included gasping for breath, turning white, rolling eyes and profuse sweating.

"When I was in the ambulance, I did not remember the questions that were asked but apparently I answered them," Lizotte said. "I woke up four hours later in the hospital and was temporarily paralyzed from the chest down."

Lizotte filed a report with the Greenville Police Department (GPD) and an investigation was performed. Unfortunately, they could not charge the man because of a lack of evidence.

Most of the parties where club drugs are administered take place off campus where the ECU police department (ECUPD) has no jurisdiction. At this time there have not been any formal reports of Ecstasy or GHB use on campus.

"If you go to any parties off campus, go with friends that will look out for you," said Capt. Frank Knight of the ECUPD. "If something was to happen to you, your friends can bring you back on campus where you can get help and medical attention."

If passed by the House of Representatives, people administering this drug in the future will be charged with homicide if death occurs.

"People always told me it was out there; I never knew it would happen to me," Lizotte said.

For more information on these drugs, you contact the Center of Counseling and Student Development at 328-6661 or go online to [www.nida.nih.gov](http://www.nida.nih.gov).

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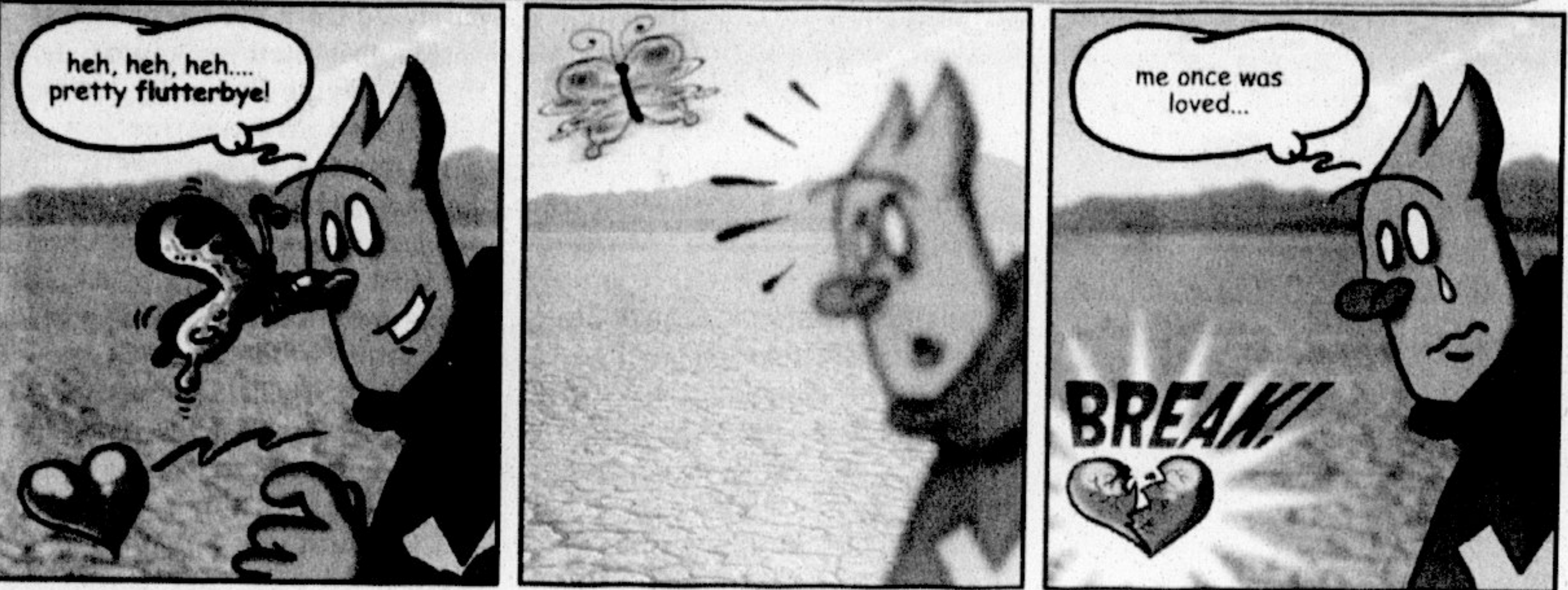
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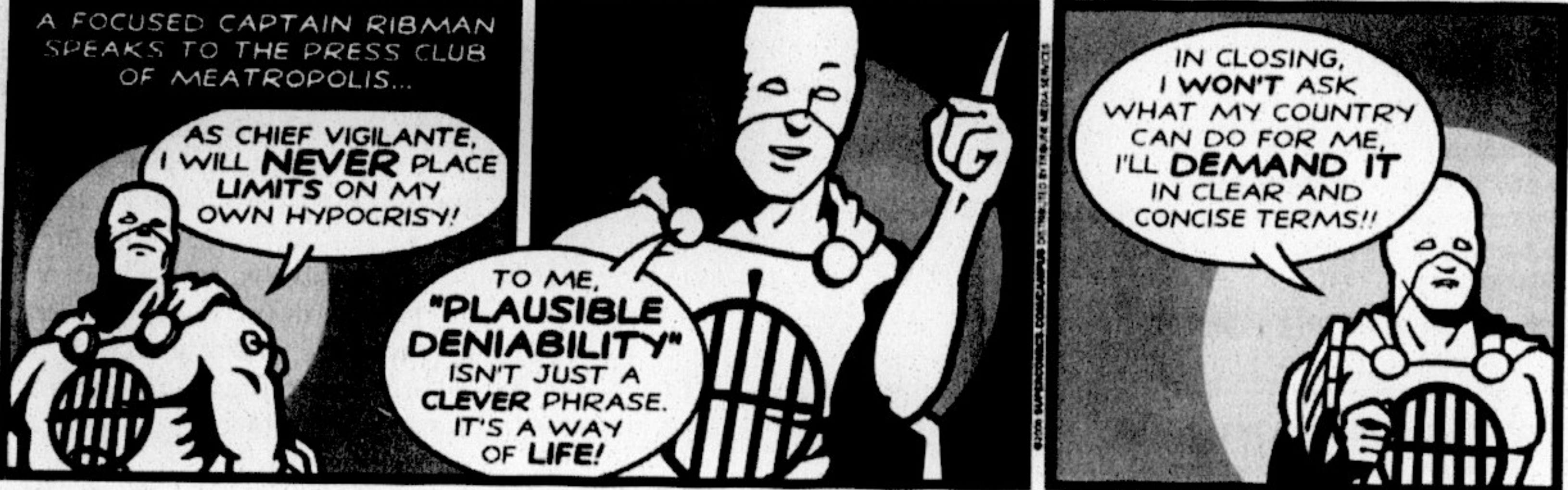
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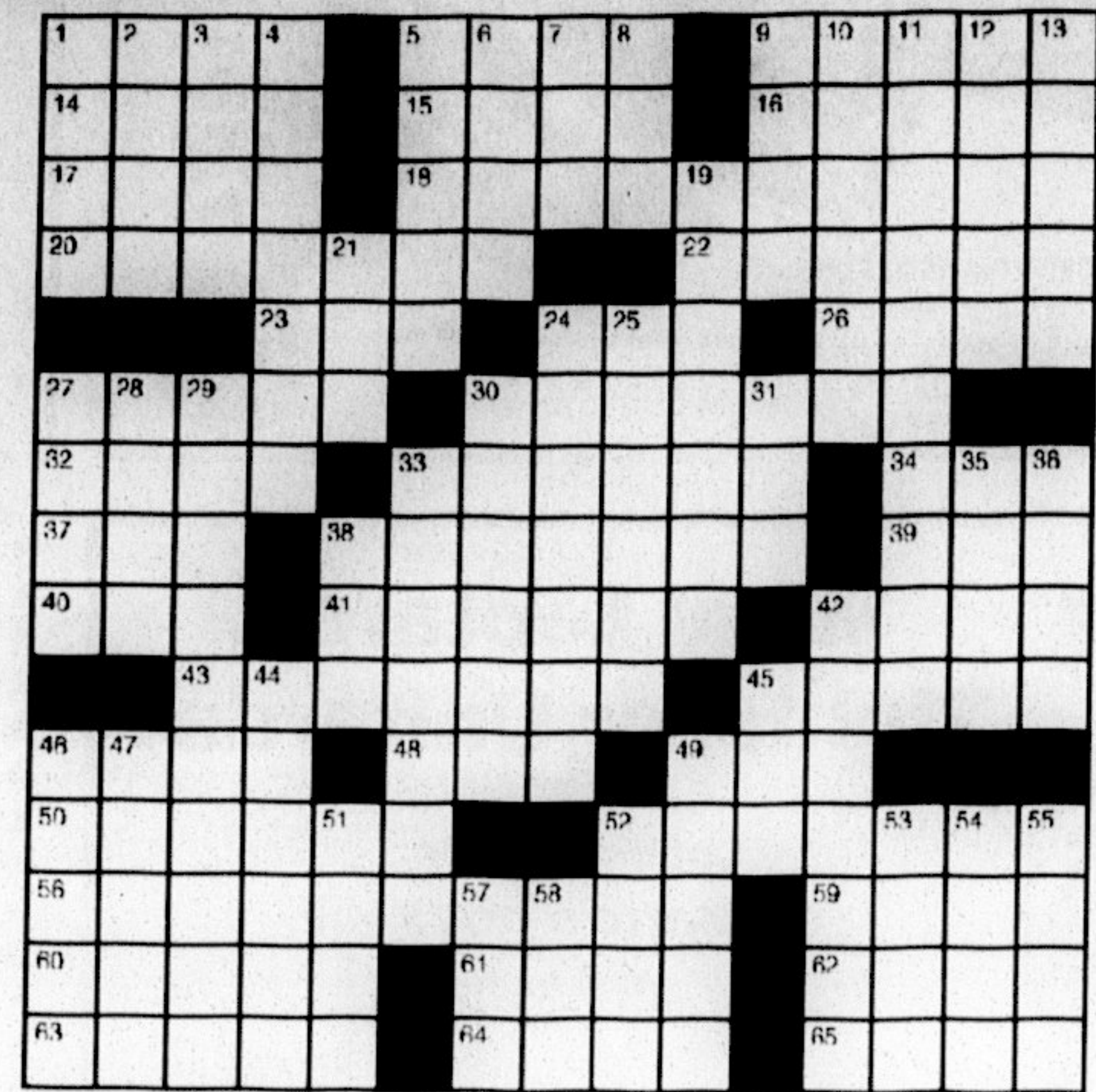
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  - Emulate eagles
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  - Lotion ingredient
  - Neat
  - Portion of bread
  - One on one's side
  - Funeral director
  - Consider anew
  - Flayed flowers
  - Table scrap
  - Attila, for one
  - Otherwise
  - Type of syrup
  - Gin cocktail
  - Chills and fever
  - Firing-range object
  - Turn left!
  - Affirmative
  - Polite social behavior
  - Wilder's "Town"
  - Cigar residue
  - Goes in
  - Skin opening
  - Actor Meredith
  - Family car
  - Avoid
  - Golfer Ernie
  - Author Fleming
  - Customer
  - Proofs of age
  - Twist together
  - Neapolitan dough
  - Not tight
  - Writer Ferber
  - Russian ruler
  - Hues
  - Discard
  - Abominable snowman
- DOWN**
- Carson's predecessor
  - French pronoun
  - Gun manufacturer
  - Eavesdropper's post
  - Daring feat
  - Porker's comment
  - Annex
  - Cereal grass
  - Mach+ jets
  - Typewriter roller
  - Probability
  - Bakery workers
  - Concise
  - Wild talkers
  - Anger
  - Gain control over
  - Goaders
  - Yucatan people
  - Matures
  - Circuit controller
  - Fireplace shelf
  - in the bag
  - Touching at a single point
  - Distinctive atmosphere
  - Birdhouse nester
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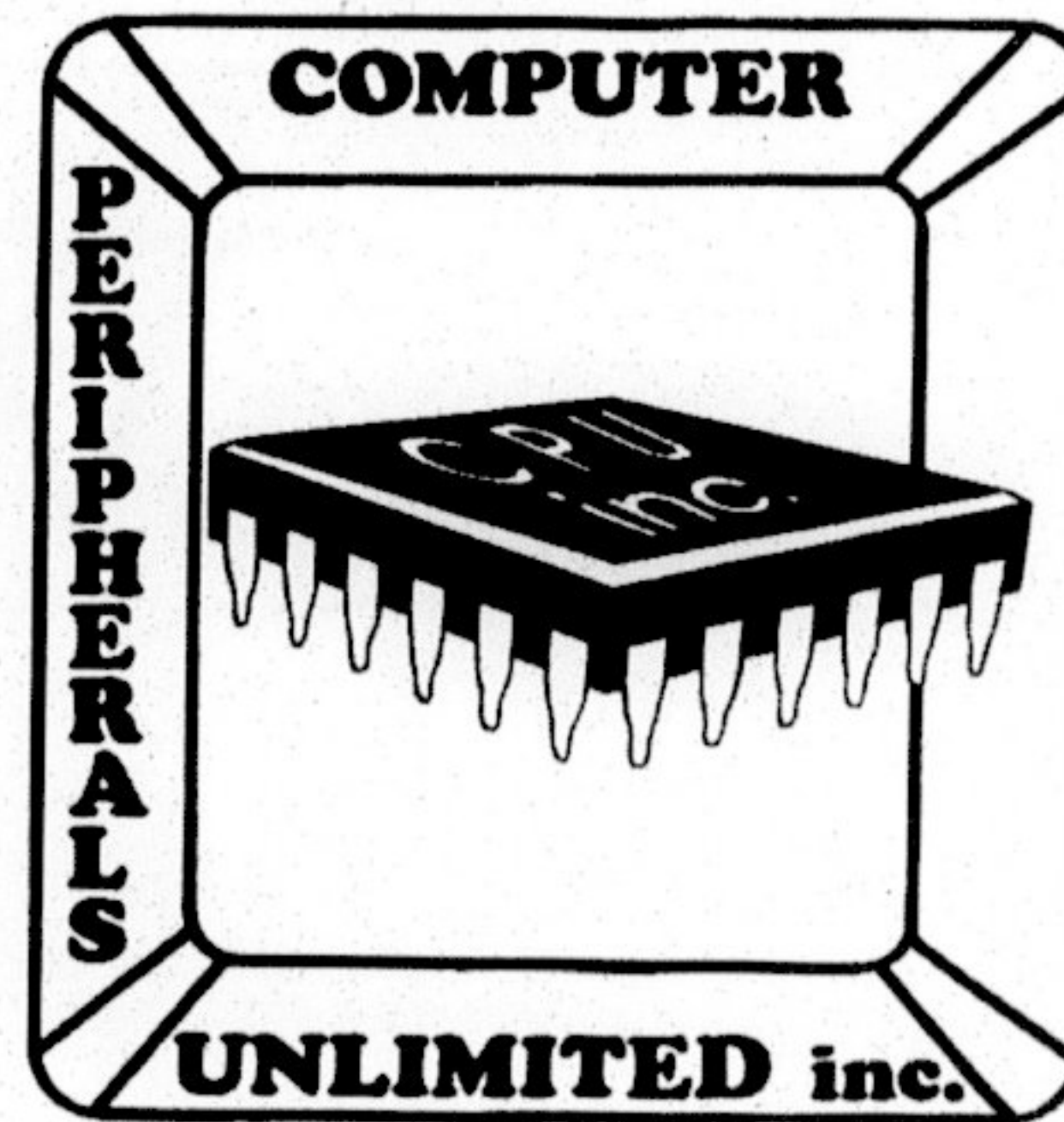
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### OUR VIEW

In light of Alcohol Awareness Week and the Take Back the Night March, we find it appropriate and necessary that campus officials are taking time to educate and inform students on the dangers of alcohol, along with the club drugs Ecstasy and GHB, as well as addressing the problem of sexual assault on college campuses.

We hope that after reading our GHB/Ecstasy article, and after hearing rape survivor Nicole Herding's emotional speech at Wednesday's Take Back the Night March, that ECU students will want to take the initiative to educate themselves further on these issues.

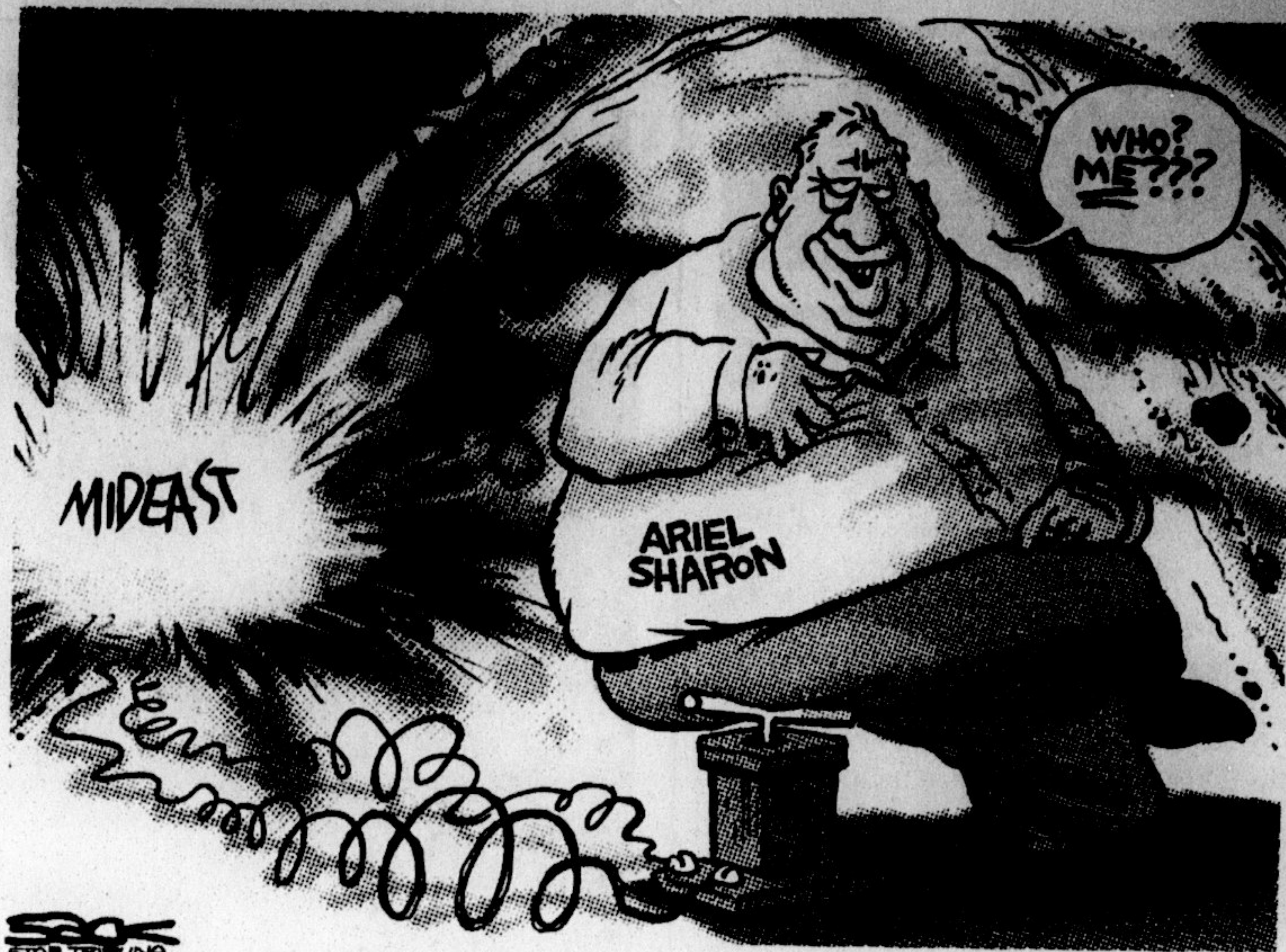
Unfortunately, these issues have become more and more prevalent at ECU.

So many students come to our university without any prior knowledge of substances such as Ecstasy and GHB, while many women arrive unaware of the risks of sexual assault on college campuses. Increasingly these are the same individuals who fall victim to predators looking for unsuspecting targets at clubs, parties and even on campus.

Every year, Downtown Greenville becomes one big block party at Halloween. Students from all over the state come to ECU to visit the clubs, see old friends and have fun. Many choose to use drugs and alcohol. Some students also end up dealing with assault. Yet we hope that after reading our GHB/Ecstasy article, and after hearing rape survivor Nicole Herding's emotional speech at Wednesday's Take Back the Night March, that ECU students will want to take the initiative to educate themselves further on these issues.

We at TEC believe educating oneself on the risks and side-effects of drugs and alcohol, as well as learning ways of preventing and dealing with sexual assault, are the most important steps in keeping from becoming a victim.

We can't encourage everyone to consider very carefully the risks and dangers out there this Halloween. If you do drink, keep in mind the consequences and do so responsibly. If you choose to use drugs, also remember there are consequences to your actions. If you end up being faced with assault, remember there are people on our campus that are here to help.



### IN MY OPINION

Nikia Jones

#### Body image isn't true reflection of self

Women have it hard. Life throws different obstacles at us every day, and many times, we have no idea how to deal with them. We may wake up in the morning, look in the mirror, and turn away thinking, "Man I need to lose weight." Then get dressed in clothes we think shrink our bodies to make us look like someone else and walk out the door, leaving our "true" selves behind.

Many women awake to this routine every morning. They may also go to bed every night hoping some physical aspect of themselves will be different tomorrow. Not only do women, like men, worry about their future, past, mistakes and their relationships everyday. Many women have an extra dilemma to deal with on a daily basis: body image.

Men may have problems with the way they look too, but it is not a hot topic in today's society. Therefore, men's bad body image problems are almost never, if ever, discussed. Women's, on the other hand, appear in magazines, day to day conversations, newspapers and many other kinds of propaganda.

Women are exploited in our society. We always hear how "thin is beautiful." You only have to turn to any page of a magazine to see that this is the truth. Actually, you don't even have to go that far. Just look at the cover of the magazine. You see the typical model that is 5-foot-10-inches and weighs around 110-120 pounds, if that. You only have to flip the channel on the

television and see actresses that wear a size 4 to see what society deems beautiful.

Very rarely do you see a larger female model. And if you've ever looked in a "women's" clothing catalog, which is for larger size women, you probably noticed that thin models were used. How are you supposed to know what the clothing looks like you, when you just see it on someone five times smaller than you? Let's be realistic here! What about those women who are 5-foot-4-inches and weigh 140 pounds? What about those who are 5-foot-4-inches and weigh 200 pounds?

What about them? Are they not seen as beautiful? Are they not prized in a world where all humans are supposed to be accepted and loved. How does it make them feel to always have to look at a person who is much thinner and always hear, "She is so beautiful? Don't you (generally speaking) wish you could have her body? I know I do?"

This is absolutely pathetic. Women and men, whether large or small, are people. Their size shouldn't matter. But for some, who are overly conscious of the way they look, their self-esteem and confidence is shot because of societal expectations of beauty. I know I care about my size. I know how it makes me feel.

Almost every person is self-conscious to an extent and that is normal. Do what you need to make yourself feel good. If you want, try going to the gym and

watching your caloric intake. If you are unsure how to begin a workout program or don't know how to plan healthy meals, there are classes readily available for just that. For those that are doing all they can to attain that desired body image, remember, results don't happen overnight. You've got to give it time.

Also remember, your attitude is really important to how others see you and how you ultimately see yourself. If you're walking around cocky all the time, you're going to wonder why you are alone and why people stare at you. They're not just looking at the physical you, but observing how you perceive yourself in relation to how they feel about you.

How you see yourself is totally up to you. It doesn't matter how I feel about you, or how Joe or anyone else sees you. You have to do what makes you happy. If you think you would be happier losing a couple of pounds, go for it. If you think you need to pile on a couple of pounds, do that. Just don't go overboard and go to extreme measures.

Happiness lies within you. You have to be confident within yourself to know you are making the right decision about your life and your well-being. As long as you know that, no-one or anything can bring you down, unless you allow it to.

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Jason Thuringer

### IN MY OPINION

#### Get off welfare and into a job

Many domestic issues, from Medicare and prescription drugs to campaign finance reform, have taken center stage during the presidential election. One issue that has been missing from the spotlight is welfare reform.

In 1995, Governor Bush fundamentally changed the welfare system in Texas to make it one of the most responsive systems in the country. The systems goal, like that of other welfare reform plans, was to get the recipient off of welfare and into a job.

The program he helped to put in place had three different time limits for recipients—one, two or three years—depending on their prior work experience and qualifications. But time limits did not begin until the child of a mother on welfare turned four, and it didn't start at all in counties that could not provide

child care or public transportation.

The Texas plan also allowed people on welfare to count education as work. And even if they refused to work or go to school, thus potentially losing benefits, their children would still receive welfare, food stamps, and Medicaid. That is about as compassionate as a plan can get, in my opinion.

In 1996, the Republican-led Congress passed legislation calling for more strict changes to the welfare system across the nation. That legislation has forced Texas, and other states, to change their system to meet federal mandates. While some of rules of that Federal legislation are stricter than the rules some states passed, the heart of the reform movement, getting people off welfare and into a job, remains the same. And it is working.

There are now job training programs across the country, where welfare recipients receive instruction and get qualified for many jobs they never would have dreamed of having. Over 7.5 million people are off of welfare and employed, thanks to the 1996 legislation.

According to the Web site www.algore.com, Al Gore has been a leader in making welfare reform happen. Unless I am mistaken, the Clinton administration, which includes Gore, vetoed the 1996 legislation "twice", before signing it into law. Where did Gore stand on welfare reform then? Why didn't he speak up for it? By 1996, Bush had already passed useful and compassionate welfare reform.

Jason Thuringer is the current ECU College Republicans' chairperson.

Andrew Stober

### IN MY OPINION

#### Bush no poster child for morality

(U-WIRE) BOSTON Northeastern News (Northeastern U.)--After a frat party sin, fiduciary infidelity and life served up on a silver platter, the prodigal son returns home.

This bad boy found a good woman who set him straight and he did not stray.

George W. Bush has seen it all in terms of youthful indiscretion, and he'll tell you he is a more moral man for it. This self-styled moral macho man claims his passion is to return honor and dignity to the White House.

Many have questioned if the good governor has the aptitude to be president. I believe he does. Yes, that's right, I, an unabashed Bush basher, thinks the shining son of Texas has the skills to be president. What he lacks are the morals.

A president's ability to turn down a seductive intern does not determine his or her moral fortitude. The true tests are when the president makes public decisions that affect the moral climate of the

nation. These decisions constitute public morals; such determinations include when to go war, how to treat the nation's disadvantaged, and generally doing what is in the best interest of America.

An examination of Bush's record proves he is far from prepared to make such decisions.

As governor of a state that ranks among Iran and China in terms of state-sponsored execution, Bush signed a death warrant for a mentally retarded man. After refusing to commute the man's sentence to life imprisonment, Bush also did not support a bill approved by the Texas

State Senate that would ban such executions. Because Bush did not support the bill, it did not pass the House.

No matter what side of the capital punishment debate you may be on, execution of the mentally retarded is repulsive. Bush's own brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, supports a ban on such executions. The governor was condemned by the European Union for supporting an execution that clearly violated international human rights norms. This is a man who is to be trusted to decide when the United States should sacrifice the lives of our own and of others for a greater good?

The compassionate hand of the Texas governor, it seems, is unwilling to reach out to state's children and offer them the health care they need.

In the second debate, Vice President Al Gore berated Bush for his state's persistent worst in the nation rankings for children and families with health insurance and child health care standards. Last

year Bush fought to limit the number of children allowed to participate in the Children's Health Insurance Program.

Only under pressure from a true "moral majority" (you know, people who believe children deserve health care) of state lawmakers did he yield. Bush is fond of speaking of his ability to bring the parties together, and health care is a good example. In 1997, it was only with a bipartisan legislative override that Texans had their right to legal recourse against insurance companies assured.

Ultimately, every citizen needs to believe that his or her president will do what is best for America. Bush cannot be trusted on this count.

The greatest threat to America's democracy is the current campaign finance system. The bipartisan McCain-Feingold campaign finance reform bill has been guaranteed a signature by Al Gore. Bush claims Gore has no legitimacy on the issue because of past indiscretions.

Vinny Setala

### IN MY OPINION

#### Can we believe anything that either candidate has to say?

Centralia College (The Blue & Gold)—So it's finally come down to violence. I knew it was just a matter of time, but the headline in last week's newspaper said "Gore, Bush trade shots in Midwestern states."

Although I suspected it would come down to a shoot-out, my only real concern is for the innocent bystanders. Considering they are trading shots over a number of entire states, there are probably a whole bunch of people in the way. And if these guys are not better at shooting than they are of being truthful, all those folks should be diving out of the way!

Oh wait. Oops. My mistake. I guess I should always read the article first. It turns out they weren't actually shooting at each other after all. They were (as usual) just calling each other miserable liars who will say and do anything to get to be president.

Aw, c'mon! You mean that someone would actually lie in order to become the head of the most powerful nation on the planet? Somehow I don't find this surprising. In fact, about the only thing that does surprise me is that anyone would believe anything these characters have to say.

It could be just me, but if my admittedly faulty memory serves

me correctly, every four years we have been told a great many wonderful things by a variety of different candidates that makes them sound like the next best thing since the invention of twist-tie garbage bags, only to find that when they actually end up in their respective offices their actions are virtually diametrically opposite of the promises they made. Anybody else out there notice this?

Now, normally, I stay away from anything regarding politics, because I don't believe that anything I happen to say or do will make the slightest difference in the ultimate outcome of history, but since I do have a simple answer to what most folks consider an insurmountable problem, I thought I'd share it with you.

Everyone agrees that the big problems in government are greed, corruption and special interests. With this kind of temptation, is it any wonder that opportunistic scoundrels plot and scheme for years to get into a position that allows them to capitalize on whatever office they are seeking? Of course not.

Now consider that these characters are by and large lawyers in the first place. That by itself should bring the picture clearly into focus. The question is, what do we do

about it? Ah, now that's why I can be so crucial to the fate of our country. I have the answer.

Make all public offices in all forms of government strictly minimum wage. Add in a provision that no one in public office can accept any sort of "gift" from anyone for the duration of their office under penalty of immediate execution, and presto! Problem solved. No opportunistic scalawag in his or her right mind would even think about running for office.

On the other hand, those individuals who are truly committed to public service would be willing to sacrifice fortune and fame for the good of the country. They would be the only ones that would run. I see no flaws in this solution, so I'm left with the conclusion that I am either (a) a genius, or (b) may have taken too much of my medication.

What do you think? In the interests of finding out, I would like to conduct a simple poll. The question is this: can we believe anything that either presidential candidate has to say? Answers: of course we can!, are you nuts? not a chance!, who cares, it's fishing season or you need to lay off that medication.

I thank you for your support, and will publish the results as soon as the final votes are in.





Today's horoscope: You've got the advantage this year, so use it. Talk your way into, or out of, anything this month.

**Aries**

(March 21-April 19)

You and a close friend or relative have a lot to talk about. Don't let it happen on company time, however.

**Taurus**

(April 20-May 20)

Something a loved one's been nagging you about is your motivation. A tedious chore could be your means to the end.

**Gemini**

(May 21-June 21)

As the day goes on, your luck improves. Somebody else wants to go to an exotic restaurant you've been thinking about.

**Cancer**

(June 22-July 22)

If you can't get to your errands first thing, don't worry; you will eventually. A candlelit chat could lead to romance. All it takes is planning, and you're great at that.

**Leo**

(July 23-Aug. 22)

You can point out an obvious problem in a friends scheme. A book you're reading or a skill you've been learning could help. Offer a Plan B that will work.

**Virgo**

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

A quiz is likely, so you'd better know what you're doing. Now that you've been tipped off, do some research.

**Libra**

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

A mishap pertaining to travel is possible. You're agile, both mentally and physically but pay attention to where you're going and wear your safety belt.

**Scorpio**

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You should hear what people are saying. Informants will sing like birds for a few crumbs.

**Sagittarius**

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Your competition has an advantage. Pick the battles you can win and save your energy. Whatever works.

**Capricorn**

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Things are running smoothly, due to your intervention and you can bet someone notices. You could profit nicely from your efforts.

**Aquarius**

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Does your sweetheart or child want something you'd have to pay dearly for? Don't say no yet. Look around.

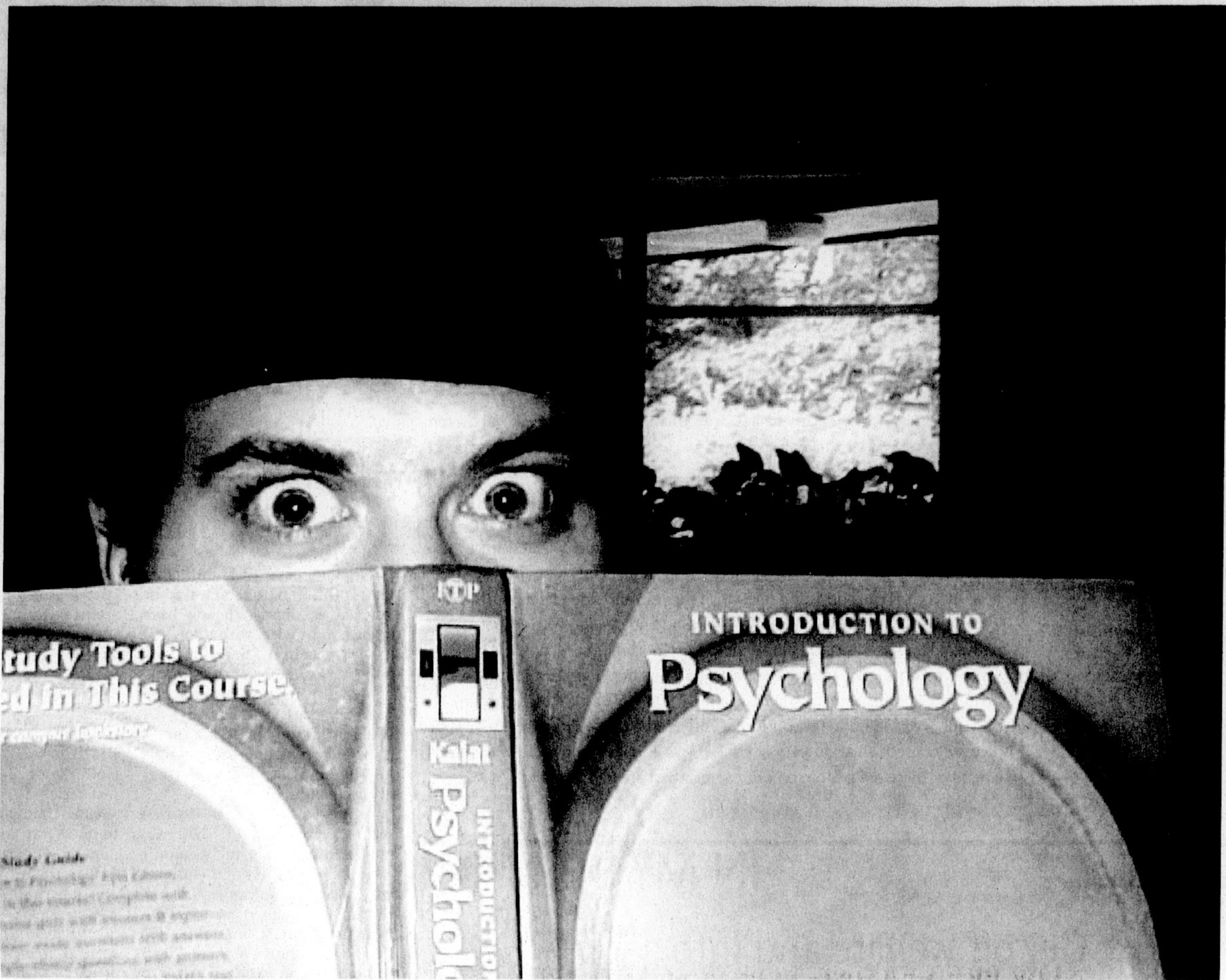
**Pisces**

(Feb. 19-March 20)

No doesn't mean never; it means not now. You'll find something everybody can live with if you keep looking-together.

# STILL STRESSED?

## LEARN TO COMBAT TEST ANXIETY



Decrease exam-time nervousness, tension

Bridget Hemenway  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

According to the ECU Center for Counseling and Student Development (CCSD), most students experience some level of nervousness or tension before taking a test. Although it is believed claim that a little nervousness can actually help to motivate an individual, too much anxiety can create a problem if it interferes with the ability to prepare for and perform on tests.

"I can not take tests," said junior Rob Lee. "I freak out right before, and even if I know the material I freeze up. This has happened to me since high school."

"The first step is to distinguish between two types of anxiety," said Dr. Nancy Badger, a counselor at the CCSD. "If the anxiety is a direct result of lack of preparation, it is a normal, rational reaction. If a student is prepared for a test but still panics or overreacts, the reaction is not rational."

Preparation is the best way to minimize rational anxiety. Although most college students make a habit of cramming for tests, Badger wants students to know that they should avoid this technique if at all possible.

"Trying to master a semester's worth of material the day before the test is a poor way to learn and can easily produce anxiety," Badger said. "This is not the

time to try to learn a great deal of material."

Improving one's perspective of the test-taking experience can actually help them to enjoy studying and may improve their performance.

"Students should not overplay the importance of the grade, it is not a reflection of their self-worth nor does it predict their future success," Badger said.

According to the CCSD, students should remind themselves that a test is only a test, there will be others.

"I always promise to rent a movie I have been dying to see or I buy a new shirt or something [after taking a test]," said sophomore Katie Williams.

"Rewarding yourself is very important," Badger said. "They should also remember to avoid thinking in the negative sense. This means discipline yourself but without degrading or putting yourself down."

Students preparing for tests often neglect basic biological, emotional and social needs. To do their best, students must think of themselves as a total person, not just a test taker.

"By continuing habits of good nutrition and exercise, and continuing recreational pursuits and social activities the student is balancing out their lives and are better able to handle their anxiety," Badger said. "The most important thing is to remember to get enough sleep the night before the test, take breaks while studying and once adequately prepared for the test do something relaxing."

Once the day of the test arrives, begin with a moderate breakfast, this will prevent lightheadedness and jitters.

"I always eat before a test," said freshman Chris Hale. "There is nothing worse than being distracted by

your stomach growling all through the test. It really ruins my concentration."

Arrive to class early and avoid classmates who generate anxiety and tend to upset stability.

"If a student tends to get nervous waiting for the test to be handed out, they should read a magazine or a newspaper while waiting," Badger said.

According to the CCSD, there are a number of steps to take once you are administered the test to relax and do well. With test in hand, the first thing to do is take a few minutes and review the entire test. Read the directions twice and try to think of the test as an opportunity to prove the knowledge gained from the professor thus far. Work on the easiest portions of the test first.

For essay questions, construct a short outline, then begin the answer with a summary sentence. This will help to avoid the rambling and repetition, which can irritate the person grading the test. For short answer questions, answer only what is asked—short and to the point.

"If they have difficulty with an item involving a written response, the student should show what knowledge they can," Badger said. If the proper terminology evades them, they should show what they know in their own words."

For multiple choice questions, read all the options first, then eliminate the most obvious.

"If a student feels unsure, they should rely on their first impression, then move on quickly," Badger said. "Watch out for tricky words such as only, always or most."

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## New laws put end to unwanted phone calls

Solicitors required to nix consumers from list

Maura Buck  
FEATURES EDITOR

As of Oct. 1, North Carolina residents have some new protection for an old problem: unwanted telephone calls.

Most people can identify the atypical situation of sitting down to a family meal only to be interrupted by the ringing of the telephone. In most cases, that telephone call is actually a solicitor trying to sell a specific product.

"Already this year I have had a telephone and credit card company call my dorm room to try to attain my business," said

freshman Jason Loos.

Under the new law, approved by the 2000 General Assembly (GA), telephone solicitors must do three things.

First, they are to clearly identify themselves and their organization at the start of the telephone call. Next, they must end the call if the consumer does not consent to the solicitation. Finally, the solicitor is to remove the person's name and phone number from their call list at the request of the consumer.

"I cannot count the number of times my constituents have asked me to do something about unwanted phone calls," said Sen. Bob Martin, who supported the new law. "I think that this law will go a long way toward helping folks stop these calls."

The law, which has

been in effect for about two weeks now, also prohibits telemarketers from calling homes before 8 a.m. and after 9 p.m. Also, the solicitor is not permitted to block any person's caller identification service or call a customer who previously asked to be removed from their listing.

"I think it's necessary to implement such a law," Loos said.

Telemarketing companies that violate the laws set by the GA could be subject to an investigation headed by the Attorney General's Office or perhaps taken to court by the consumer, not to mention a possible \$500 civil penalty fine.

"I hope people will educate themselves about how the new law works and demand their tele-

phone solicitors stop calling," Martin said.

The law also requires consumer information to be included within the phone books consumer information pages, as well as in residential telephone bills at least once a year. Consumers who have been called by someone violating the law can call the North Carolina Attorney General's office at 919-716-6000.

"I have received a lot of phone calls in the past," said Jordan Hight, sophomore. "It's not only annoying but also a waste of my time."

So if a peaceful dinner without any interruptions sounds good, simply tell the solicitor that you are not interested and would prefer to be taken off their list. It's as simple as that.

## Things to do over Fall Break

Students give suggestions for vacation activities

Earline White  
FEATURES WRITER

ECU students will be out of class from Saturday, Oct. 21 through Tuesday, Oct. 24 in observance of Fall Break.

What are most students planning to do during their Fall Break? For all students who need a vacation from test-taking and studying, there are plenty of ways to spend the time off, whether it be in Greenville or elsewhere.

Some students, as usual, plan on catching up on rest and relaxation. When asked, senior Amy Hedgecock said, "Sleep, a lot."

"[I plan on] racing cars, like I do every weekend," said Jason Baldwin, graduate student.

Although some plan on having fun, others need to focus their efforts to meet future deadlines.

"[I have to] fill out law school applications."

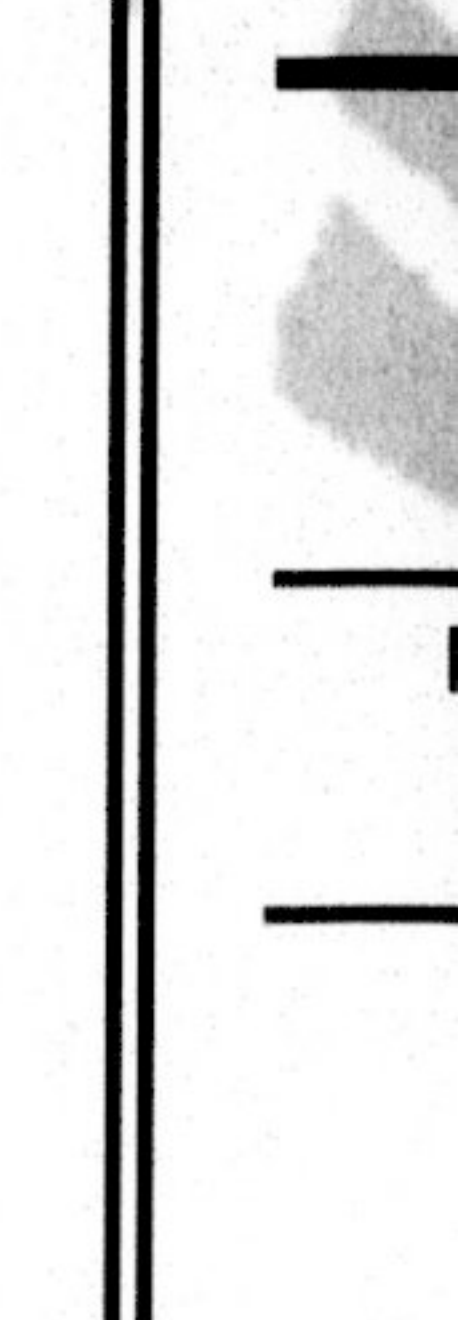
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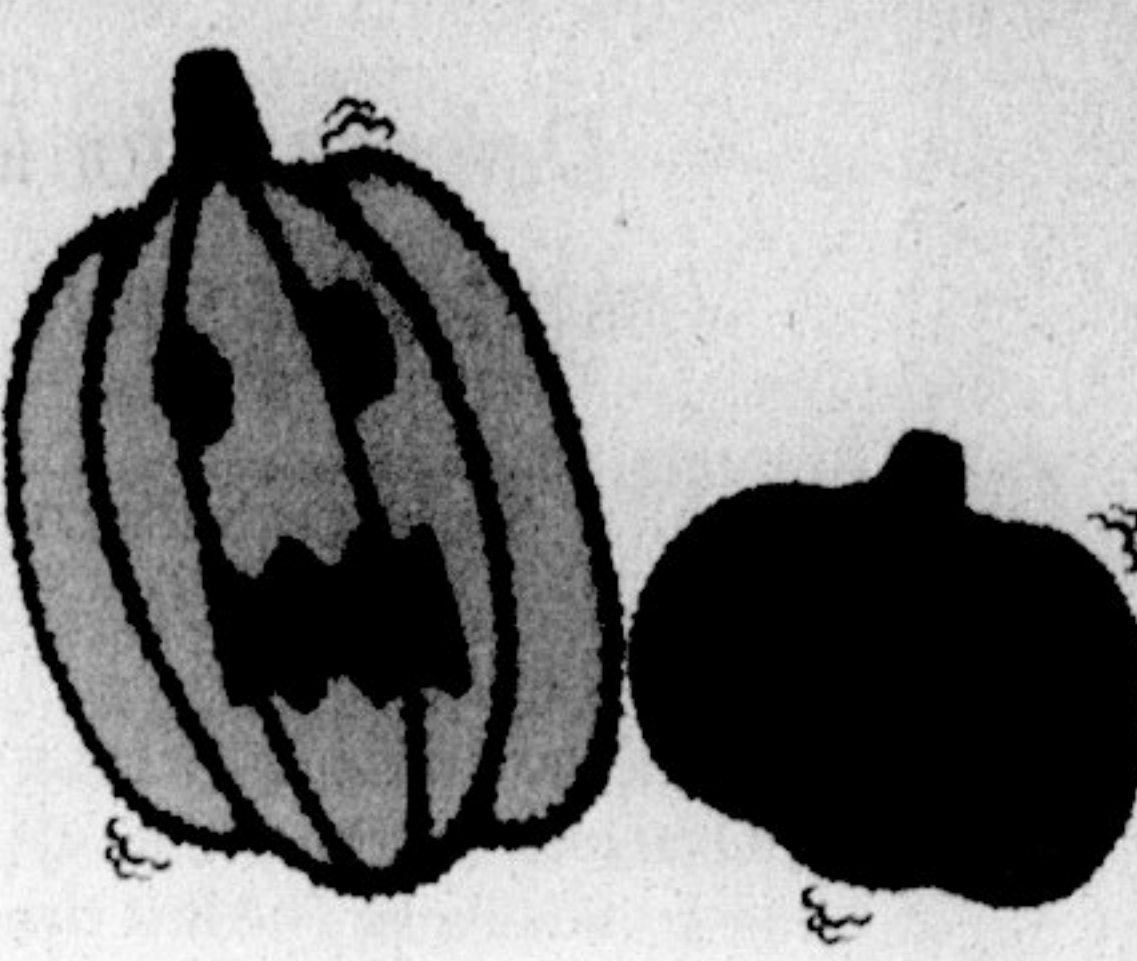


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This recipe is courtesy of The School of Hospitality Management.

**BREAK from 6**

said senior Renae York. Regardless what plans may be, one thing is for sure, students will enjoy a few days to catch up on a project, go shopping, read, go to the beach or just relax.

For those who have no plans, here are some suggestions from other ECU students:

- Rent movies all weekend.
- Read magazines and drink cappuccino at Barnes & Nobles.
- Get together with two other friends and rent a stripper.
- Adopt a kitten (the love will last long past vacation).
- Buy a new outfit from Dapper Dan's.
- Go on a picnic.
- Get something tattooed or pierced.
- Go to the Greenville Museum of Art (located on Evans Street across from Ham's) and see the latest exhibition.
- See *Almost Famous* starring Billy Crudup and Kate Hudson.
- Blackwood Salon offers the trendiest of hairstyles and massages to renew one's whole aura. Prices are reasonable.
- The Travel-Adventure Series continues on Tuesday, Oct. 24 with a trip to the Falkland Islands. Buy tickets 3 days in advance. Film tickets are \$6, Dinner tickets are \$12. Call the ECU Central Ticket Office for more information.
- Be creative at the Fired Works Cafe. Paint a picture frame, vase, plate or teapot ... prepare to spend at least \$20.
- Write all of those people that haven't heard from you in a while.
- Work on Halloween costumes.

For those people who decide not to leave town, enjoy the tranquility of a college town without all of the college students. Use the vacation to its fullest, it's a long time until Christmas break.

**STRESS from 6**

Do not rush through the test. Wear a watch and check it frequently following a pace. If it is impossible to finish the entire test, concentrate on those portions which can be answered well. Recheck answers only if time permits and anxiety is not present.

If it anxiety persists throughout the test, distraction is the best way to escape it, according to the CCSD. Get a drink or go to the bathroom, if allowed. Eat something. Break the lead on the pencil and go sharpen it. Think about the post exam reward. Tense and relax all the muscles throughout the body. Take a couple of slow deep breaths and try to maintain a positive attitude.

If students prepare themselves for a test well ahead of time and are able to use these methods, they should be able to somewhat overcome their test anxiety.

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# Pirates to take on potent Cardinals

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## Mutumbo out with malaria



Atlanta Hawks center Dikembe Mutumbo will sit out the first few games of the season with a case of malaria.

"It's not life threatening; it's not career threatening," said Hawks General Manger, Pete Babcock. It sounds terrible, but it's really like a bad case of the flu."

It is suspected that Mutumbo contracted the disease during a trip to the Congo in September. The disease is not contagious and is spread by mosquitoes.

The Hawks open their season on Oct. 31 against Charlotte.

## Van Horn out



Fourth-year New Jersey Nets star, Keith Van Horn will miss 4-6 weeks with a broken leg suffered in Tuesday night's exhibition game versus Orlando.

The former Utah standout was going for a rebound in the second quarter when he landed awkwardly on his left leg, breaking his fibula.

Van Horn averaged 19.9 points per game and 7.8 rebounds last season for the Nets.

## Indiana U. Student leaves school

Kent Harvey, the Indiana University student whose altercation with former Head Basketball Coach Bobby Knight caused the coaches ouster, has left Bloomington, opting to transfer. Harvey and his brothers, Kyle and Kevin, as well as his mother and step-father have left the state following death threats aimed at Kent.

"Let that kid be a student," Knight said during a town hall meeting following his firing. "Let him get on with life. That kid is not responsible for me not coaching at Indiana, and make sure you understand that."

## Tyson to fight tomorrow



Troubled heavy-weight, Mike Tyson will step in the ring against troubled heavyweight Andrew Golota, Friday in Detroit. The fight pairs two of boxing's dirtiest fighters.

## Beamer says Vick could use one more year



Va. Tech Head Coach Frank Beamer said Monday that Heisman candidate quarterback, Michael Vick could use one more year as a Hokie.

"I don't want to speak for Michael, but I think that the decision is

going to mean more than just pure dollars," Beamer said. "I think from our conversation, he understands that he needs to continue to improve as a quarterback before he's ready to use his talent's at the next level."

Vick is considered among the elite quarterbacks in all of college football. After guiding the 1999 Hokie team to an 11-0 record and a spot in the Nokia Sugar Bowl as a freshman, Vick entered the 2000 season as a Heisman favorite.

Thus far, the redshirt sophomore has not disappointed as the Hokies are 6-0 and ranked No. 2 in the nation.

## Defense in for long night after short week

Stephen Schramm  
SPORTS EDITOR

The last time ECU took the field on a Thursday night, the result was a 45-28 loss to Va. Tech. The last time the Pirates went up against a conference foe on the road, the result was a 17-10 loss to Memphis. Tonight, the Pirates get a chance to redeem themselves on both counts with a trip to Louisville, Ky.

"I think this is just a good time for us to come out, Thursday night, conference game, make some things happen, try to erase some of this, Thursday night 'we can't win stuff,'" said quarterback David Garrard. "If we keep our heads straight, we'll come out to a good start and we'll come out with a victory."

The second loss, to Memphis, was costly because it put the Pirates a game behind the leaders in C-USA. If the Pirates want to return to Memphis for the Liberty Bowl with a conference title in hand, the loss gives them no margin for error.

"We need to stay right on the winning side of things if we're going to try to do something in this conference," said Head Coach Steve Logan. "We don't have any room for error after the Memphis loss."

Louisville is third in a stretch of five straight conference games on the Pirates' schedule.

"No more errors, especially no more losses," said linebacker Antwane Yelverton. "We're trying to stay in it. We know we can't come up short anymore."

In addition to exorcising the demons of Thursday night games and road tests,

the game will also give the Pirates an opportunity to get the fast start that has eluded them in their last few games.

"We're just going to have to get out there to a good game early," Garrard said. "A fast start is going to be key this week. Hopefully we can keep their offense off the field as far as our defense, try and help them out a little bit, try to run the ball a little bit and keep the clock on our side. Probably the best way to stop them is to keep the offense off the field."

Getting off to fast starts has not been a problem for Louisville. In their five wins, the Cardinals have averaged 41.8 points per game.

"When you watch Louisville on film, you think that you'd better score some points," Logan said. "It's not going to be a low scoring game. You're going to have to match the points that they put on the board."

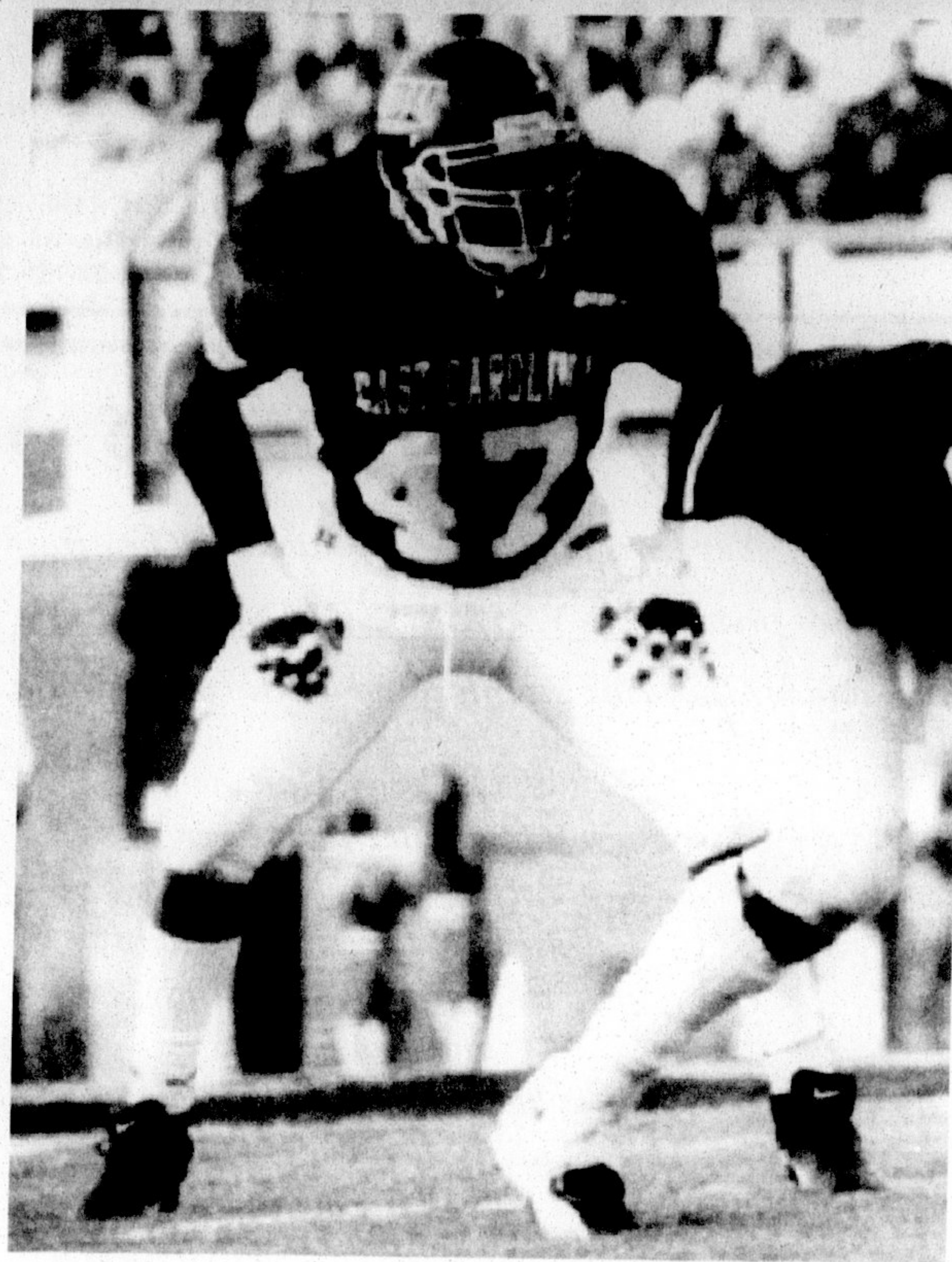
Behind quarterback Dave Ragone, who was named C-USA Offensive Player of the Week after a 227-yard performance against UAB, the Cardinals have bolted to a 5-1 record. Their quick start is due in part to their use of a wide open passing attack.

"They're going to complete their passes," Logan said. "They're going to complete 60 percent against whoever they play. You've just got to be patient and not panic."

The Cardinals will also test the Pirate defense with their no huddle offensive set. With only five days since the Pirates' last game, the offense should be a test for the defense's legs.

"It's a no huddle deal, so we're going to be pretty busy on Thursday night. It's going to be a lot of running because they do a lot of passing," Yelverton said.

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Pernell Griffin, still suffering from a knee injury, will suit up but not play against Louisville tonight. (file photo)

# Cross country takes top two spots at State Championships

England, Will go first, second

Kyle Bares  
STAFF WRITER

ECU placed both the men's and women's teams in the top 10 at the annual North Carolina Intercollegiate Cross Country State Championships and gained some respect with very good running this weekend.

The men finished third overall behind North Carolina and Duke, but the greatest story in the meet came from two of the Pirate runners, Seniors Justin England and Stu Will who finished first and second overall.

This is the second time in three years that England and Will have taken the first two spots in the

State Championship meet, accomplishing a feat that spotlights them in the history of ECU running.

"Justin and Stu accomplished something that is very rare in a meet such as this one," said men's and women's cross country Head Coach Len Klepack. "I'm extremely proud of the way they ran, and think they deserve full recognition for these achievements."

England's time of 25:32 was his season best, and Will finished the race only five seconds behind with a time of 25:37.

"It's great to do so well in a big meet like this,"

"Finishing first and second is something we had done two years ago, and coming back to do it again this year feels really good."

Justin England  
ECU Cross Country

England said. "Finishing first and second is something we had done two years ago, and coming back to do it again this year feels really good."

Will and England, both seniors, have been running together for four years.

"It's been great having Stu on the team all four years," England said. "Having someone right there in practice and meets as well that pushes you and is that competitive definitely makes a difference. This was a great race. Coming off a red-shirt year and doing this well has really been pleas-

ing." The Lady Pirates fulfilled their expectations by finishing in a tie for fifth overall, with Davidson and placing two women in the top 10 individually.

Junior Abrial Hayes was the leading runner for the women's team with a time of 19:12 and a ninth place finish overall, a season and career best for Hayes in the 5k event. Sophomore Kay Livick finished in 10th place overall, seven seconds behind her teammate, 19:19.

"Against the competition that we faced, it was very satisfying to see our runners do so well," Klepack said. "I was very pleased with the performance of both of our teams and the overall results."

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# Volleyball has mixed results on road trip

ECU beats CAA's top team, falls to George Mason

Ryan Downey  
SENIOR WRITER

The Pirate volleyball team had a tough loss and a victory this weekend, losing to George Mason on the road but beating American, the CAA's top team.

The mixed results on the road trip pushed the Pirates to 12-6 in the season.

The win Friday night over the 32nd ranked Eagles was the first in 10 matches against, and featured a heroic come back. After being down two games to none, the Pirates were able to battle back and win the match 3-2. In that match, the Pirates were forced to only their second, fifth game tie breaker match.

"This was a great victory for this program and especially for our seniors, who had never beaten American," said first-year Head Coach Colleen Farrell. "To go on the road and fall behind 2-0 and then win the final three games is amazing. We played as well as any time this season and it was a total team effort."

The loss to George Mason, the first to a CAA foe this season, came the next morning with the Pirates fighting fatigue and another road crowd.

"We didn't play well early in the match and by the time we started to come around, it was too little too

late," Farrell said. "I think we were still thinking a little about last night's win and it affected us. But give credit to George Mason, as the Patriots played a great match and have some outstanding players."

This was an important stretch for the Pirates. It was their second road weekend out of three. The Pirates will be on the road again this Friday to play JMU whom the Pirates defeated in Greenville earlier this season. The team remains positive.

"We had a pretty decent weekend. I was proud of our win over American and I was also proud of our performance against American," said middle hitter Lucinda Mason. "I think fatigue played a factor in the loss against GMU."

The win over American was the first for the four seniors, who have been part of a rebirth for Pirate Volleyball this year. They have been exorcising many demons along the way this season. After this weekend, which will be their last on the road until mid-November, after which the team will be home for six of seven games.

"I thought we took a big step up when we beat American, then we kind of back tracked against George Mason when we play them at home on Nov. 3," said senior outside hitter Cinta Claro.

The Pirates will be in action Friday and Saturday in Virginia against JMU and Radford.

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# Women's golf gets second place

Krasny leads Pirate charge at Cougar Invitational

Scott Lange  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Pirates golf team continued their inaugural season with a second place finish at the Cougar Invitational Tuesday, Oct. 10 in Mt. Pleasant, S.C.

The team fought hard in the cold and windy weather while they were there. The team was only one stroke back when entering the final round but the host school, the College of Charleston, was able to pull away on the last day. The Cougars, the defending tournament champions, finished 16 strokes ahead of the Pirates.

"As a team we struggled a little in the end, but I was pleased with how we competed overall," said Head Coach Kevin Williams. "But we don't have enough experience to beat a top-50 team like Charleston on its home course."

The team was led by freshman Jessica Krasny who is from Summerville, S.C. right outside of Charleston. She was able to take home her first-ever individual title shooting an even par 72 on the final day.

"I struck the ball well and on the back nine of all three rounds putts started to fall for me," Krasny said. "It was great winning near my home on a course I am familiar with."

"I am pleased for Jessica to do so well, especially here because this is her home," Williams said.

Also turning in strong performances were freshman Ashley Leonard who tied for third, and freshman Alyssa Hayes who finished 19th overall.

The strong finish comes after the Pirates captured their first-ever tournament title at the Lady Pirate Fall Intercollegiate tournament in Greenville the week before. They were able to finish two strokes ahead of Weber State for the victory.

The Lady Pirates will next be in action Oct. 23 and 24 at the Great Smokies Women's Golf Championship in Waynesville, N.C. Western Carolina University will be hosting the tournament.

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## Men's tennis squad takes on Wolfpack

Ryan Rockwell  
 STAFF WRITER

The men's tennis team had a solid performance this past weekend in the N.C. State Invitational tournament. The weekend was highlighted by freshman Julien Crevelier's outstanding play against his nationally ranked opponents.

Crevelier finished the weekend third in the Flight A singles bracket with a win over Eric Jackson of N.C. State on Sunday. Crevelier also won over Andreas Mardbrink of Campbell University, and Jackson, the number one and two seeds of the tournament, respectively.

Crevelier defeated Jackson, ranked 73rd in the nation by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association

(ITA), in straight sets (6-3), (6-0). On Friday, the opening day of the tournament, Crevelier defeated the ITA's 71st ranked Mardbrink.

ECU also received top-flight performances from sophomore Brad Sullivan, who finished third in the Flight C bracket and senior Oliver Thalen, who won three out of four matches for the weekend.

Seniors Dustin Hall and Michael Huez played their way into the finals of the Flight D bracket. However, Coach Tom Morris declined to have them play.

Hall, the team's captain, and Huez have not lost in singles competition since the September ECU Invitational Tournament.

In doubles, Crevelier and Sullivan finished fifth in Flight A with an 8-1 win over Maryland's Chris Chiv and Larry Choa.

ECU's Jon Walton and Thalen defeated UNC-W's Lee Bailey and Scott Curry to win the Flight C doubles.

In Flight D doubles, Hall and Huez finished second after losing to Elon's Mike Prelec and Chad York.

Coach Morris was very pleased with the team's performance in the N.C. State Invitational. The Pirates finished the weekend with an 18-7 record in singles and 7-2 record in doubles.

"I was very pleased with the way we played up and down the lineup," Morris said. "It was a very solid performance."

Morris singled out Crevelier as being "the most outstanding in beating the number one and two seeds in the tournament."

The native Frenchman, Crevelier is having a great fall and is already considered the team's top player according to Morris.

Crevelier revealed that he was not at all intimidated by the highly ranked opposition of the past weekend.

"Since I am a freshman and this

is the beginning of the season, I didn't really know their level. So it was just another match," Crevelier said.

With senior leadership from Thalen, Huez, and Hall and the emergence of Crevelier, Morris is optimistic about his team's chances for a good season.

"We've done some things well this fall," Morris said. "I feel we will be better than last year's team."

The team squeaked out a winning season last spring with a 16-15 overall record and a 2-6 CAA mark. The team now looks forward to the start of the regular season in January optimistically.

"Our goals are to improve in the conference standings [from last year] and improve from last year's record," Morris said.

The team finishes preseason play at the Clemson Invitational Oct. 27-29.

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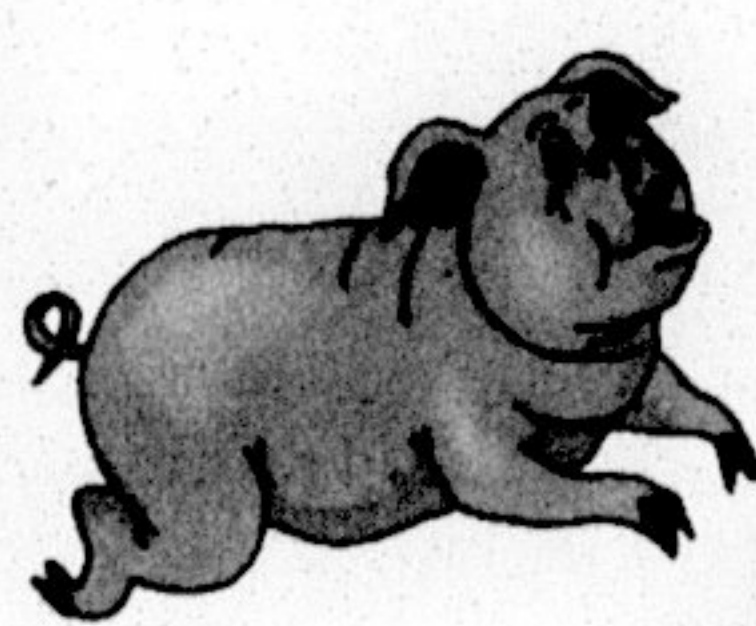
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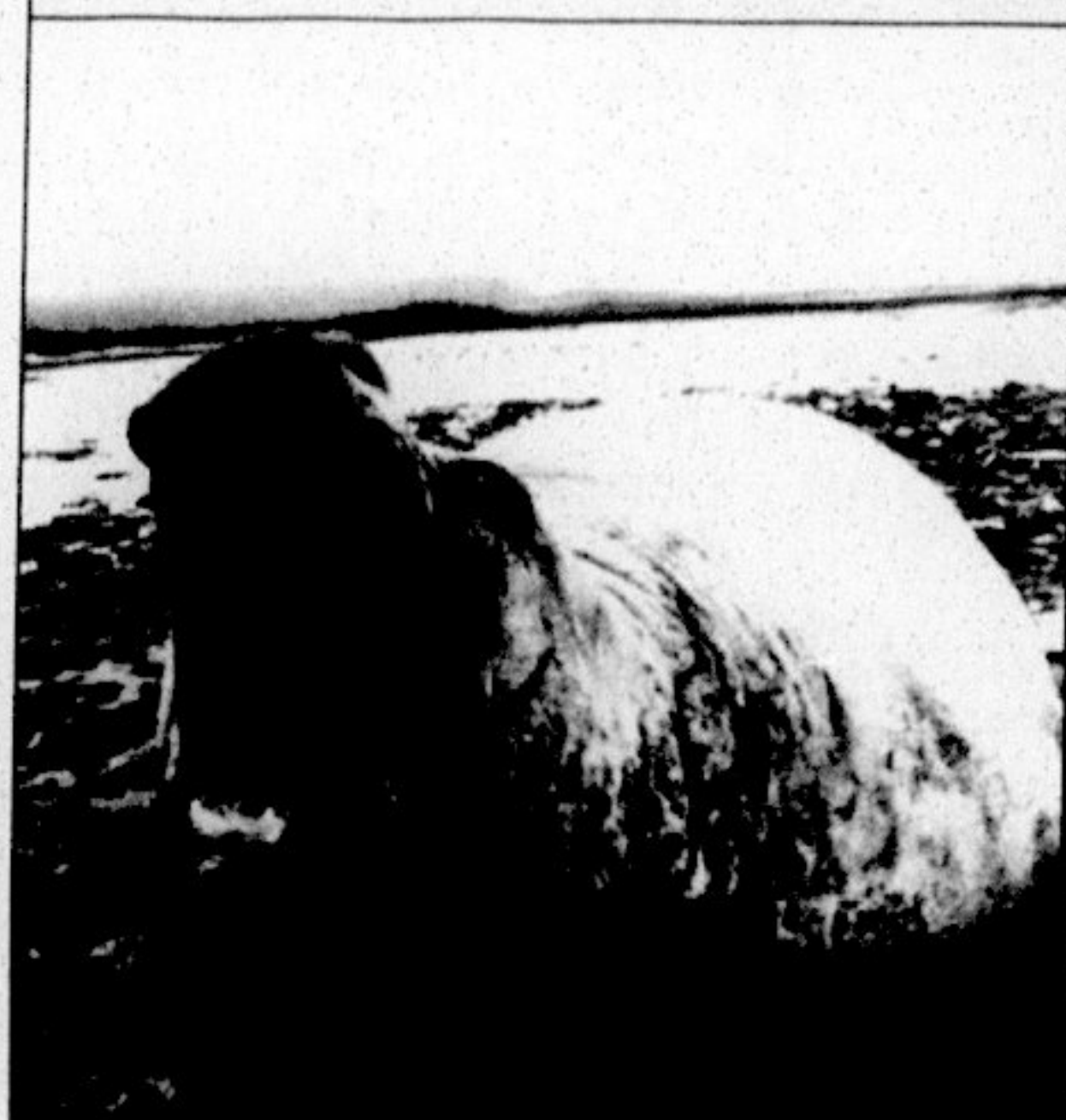
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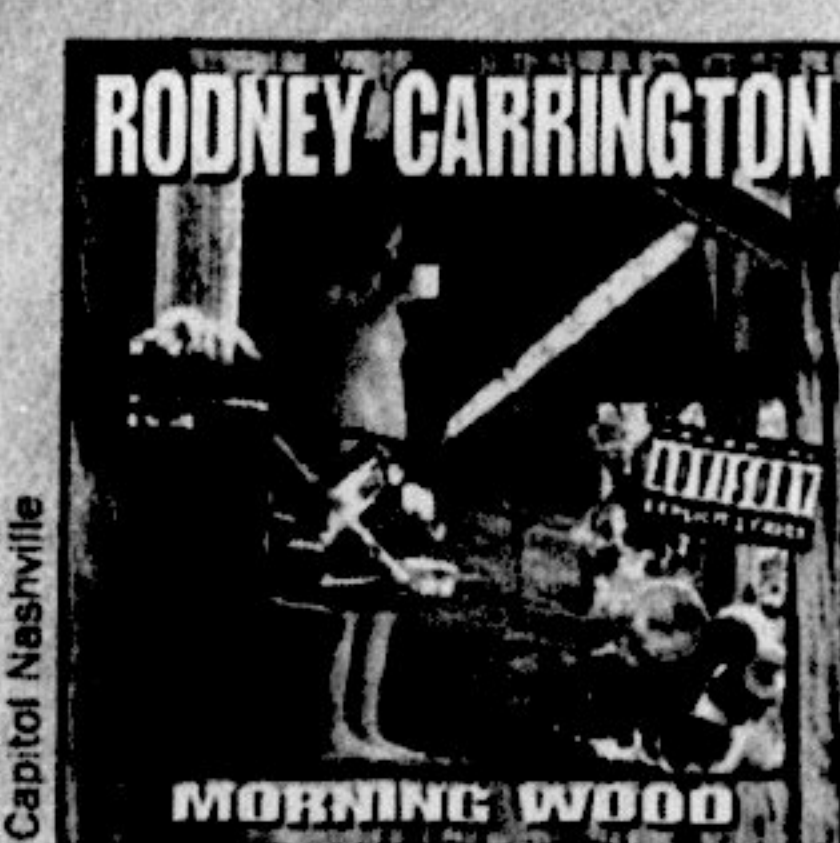
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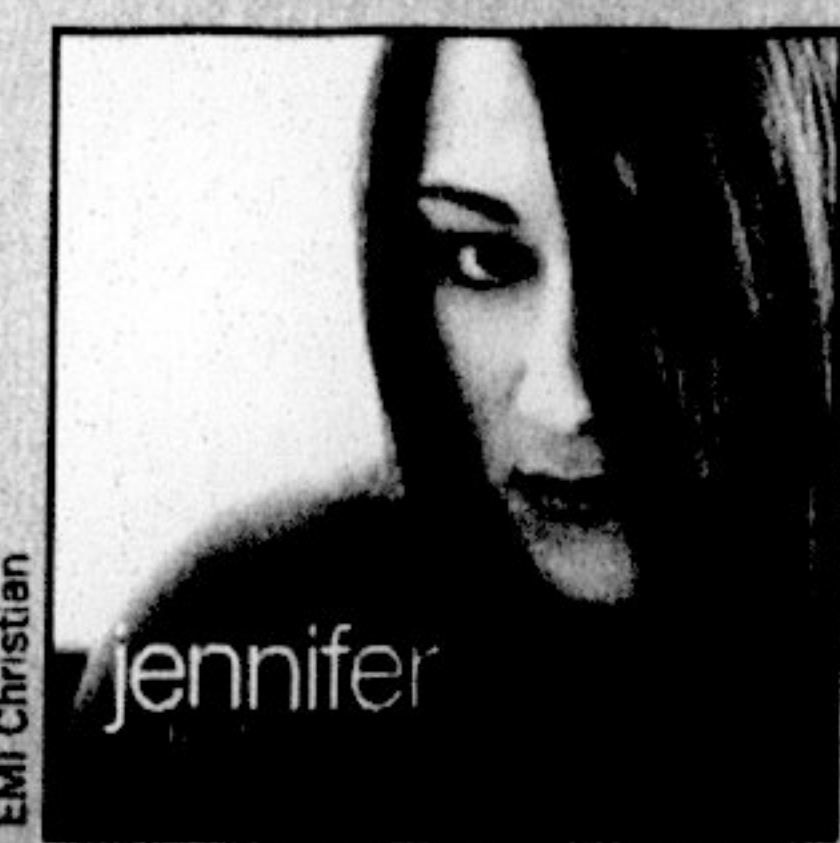
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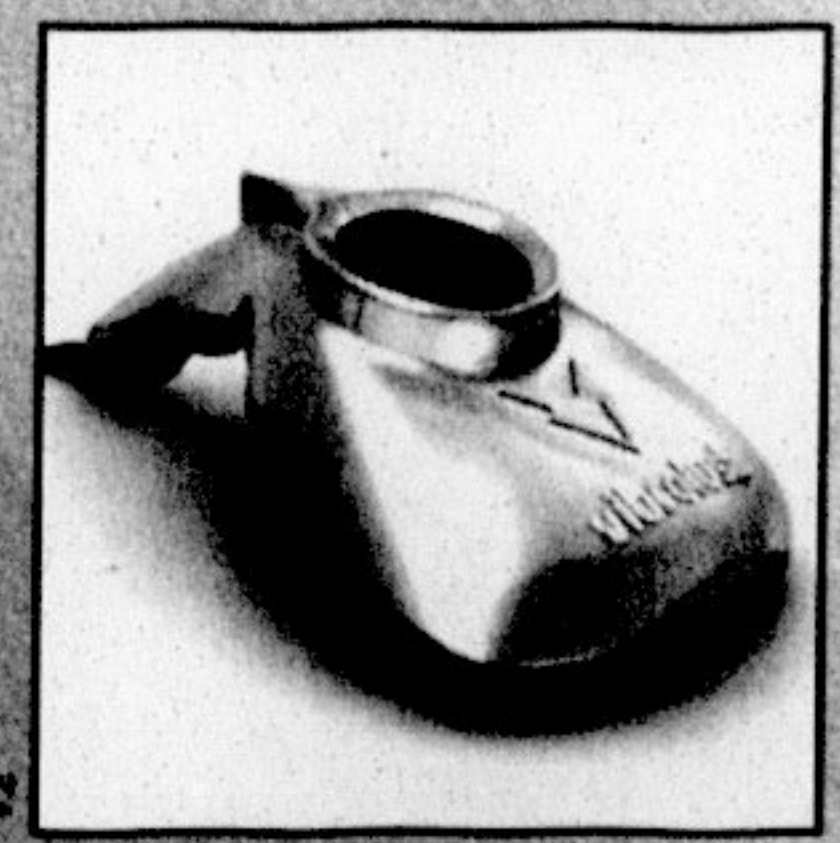
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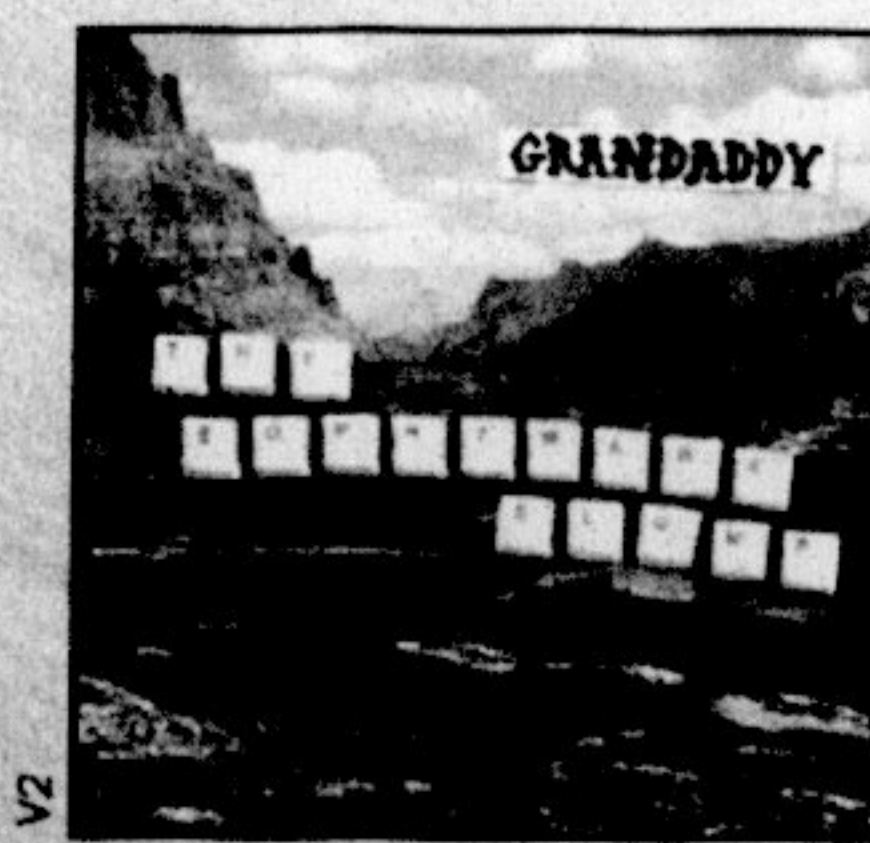
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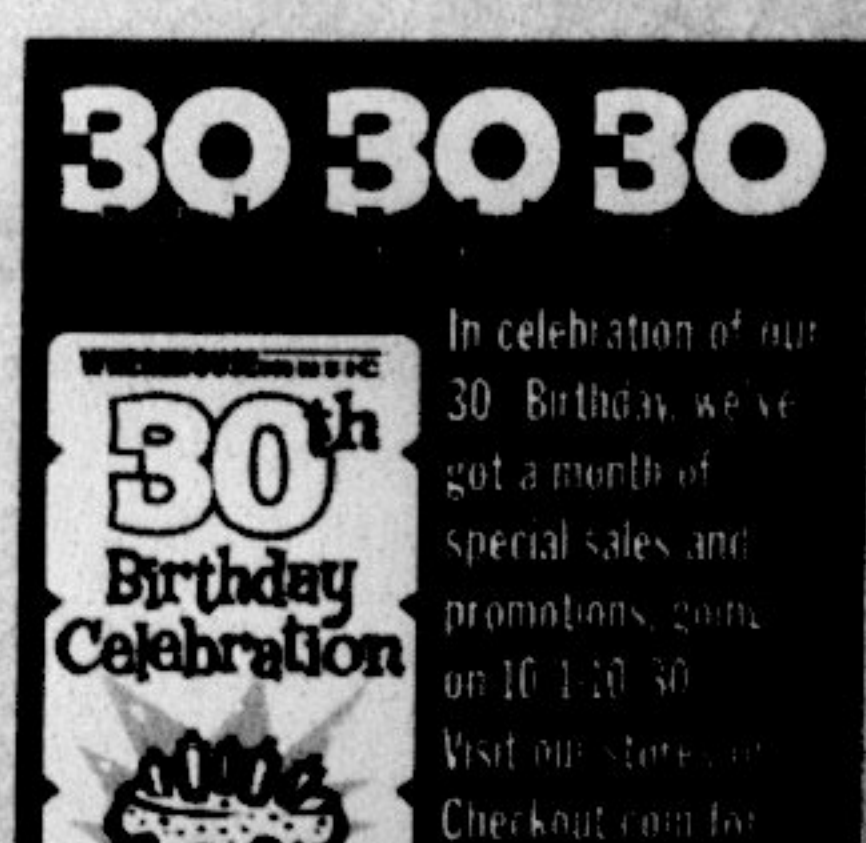
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COMPUTER LAB Assistant needed for maintaining the Athletic Student Development computer labs located in Ward Sports Med. building and Scales Field House. Responsibilities include: serve as contact for servicing needs, troubleshoot the labs, assist students in the use of computers and software programs, maintain computer and printer supplies, and keep labs neat and orderly. Qualifications: Must be proficient in Windows NT, 95, 98; Microsoft Office, Internet, Adobe PageMaker 6.5, Adobe Photoshop 5.5, and various other applications. Evening work required. Mon.-Thur. 7-10pm. 7\$/hr. Contact: Jennifer Sawyer 254 Ward Sports Med. Build. 328-4550.

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### GREEK PERSONALS

CHI OMEGA, thanks for all the hard work that was put into Homecoming! You girls managed to pull off another excellent week. The brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Epsilon Sigma Alpha on first place in the float competition and second place in the banner competition. "Who let the dogs out?"

ALPHA XI Delta, last Thursday at Cabbana's was a blast. Thanks for the good times and we look forward to the next one. The brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

EPSILON SIGMA Alpha would like to thank Aelisch, Amanda, and Aaron for all their hard work with Homecoming 2000!

EPSILON SIGMA Alpha would like to congratulate all their new members on Pledge Pinning. Great job and keep smiling!

### OTHER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: come check out Circle K, community service organization, Mondays at 7 p.m. in room 221 in Mendenhall Student Center; e-mail: Mebette@hotmail.com

\$100 REWARD for information leading to return and prosecution of removal of three Wrought Iron lawn seats from yard in Ayden. Please contact M J House at (252)756-0148.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST A reminder that the next National Society of Collegiate Scholars chapter meeting is Thursday, October 19th at 6:30pm in the General Classroom Building Room 1026.

OPEN TRYOUTS for Lady Pirates Basketball. Thursday Oct. 19th 2pm at Minges.

INTENDED CSDI Majors: All General College students who intend to major in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders and have Mrs. Meta Downes as their advisor are to meet on Wednesday, November 1 at 5:00pm in room 101 of the Carol Belk building. Advising for early registration will take place at that time. Please prepare a tentative class schedule before the meeting. Bring Taking Charge, Your Academic Planner, and use the worksheet to develop your schedule.

INTERMEDIATE RACQUETBALL CLINIC Oct. 30-Nov. 20, Mondays 8:00pm-9:00pm. Come and enhance your current skills and learn new ones. All equipment is provided. The cost is FREE to members, \$5/nonmember and registration is Oct. 9-30. For more information please call 328-6387.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLIMBING Oct. 27-29, Linville Gorge. Table Rock in Linville Gorge will be focused on multi-pitch climbs to get you even higher off the deck. Cost of the trip is \$65 and the registration deadline is Oct. 20. For more information please call 328-6387.

REGISTRATION FOR General College Students: General college students should contact their advisers the week of October 30-November 3 to make arrangements for academic advising for Spring Semester 2001. Early registration week is set for November 6-10.

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