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NEWSBRIEFS

This is the last edition of TEC for the fall semester 2000. Look for us again Thursday, Jan. 11, 2001. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

ECU will resume regular class and work schedules today. ECU Transit will also resume its regular schedule today as the weather permits.

Classes end

Fall semester classes end Wednesday, Dec. 6. ECU will observe Reading Day on Thursday, Dec. 7 in preparation for final exams. Exams will begin Friday, Dec. 8

Blood drive

A Red Cross blood drive will be held from noon-6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6 in Mendenhall Student Center.

Pirate basketball

The women's basketball team will play Campbell at 7 p.m.Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Minges Coliseaum.

Recital

Henry Doskey, a member of the piano faculty at the School of Music, will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6 in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

Art sale

The annual Holiday Exhibition and Sale begins at the Gray (School of Art) Gallery and continues through Dec. 9.

Archaeology dig

A recent project by ECU archaeologists to search for the remains of North Carolina's first governor, will be described at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 in Room B-102 of the Brewster Building. Archaeologist Charles Ewen will discuss the search he directed at a Kinston graveyard for the burial site of Gov. Richard Caswell.

The search unearthed two metal caskets that were reburied after it was determined that they were of early 19th century origin. Caswell died in 1789. The public is invited to the presentation that will include questions and answers.

Trustee meeting

The ECU Board of Trustees will meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 8 in the Great Room of Mendenhall Student Center. On the agenda are reports on athletic coaches' contracts, institutional marketing efforts, scholarship campaigns and major building

projects. The meeting will be the first for the board's newest member, Margaret Ward of Burlington. The campus report will provide information about ECU's Online Wireless Learning Solutions (OWLS) project.

Graduation

About 1,700 graduates will be recognized at ECU's Fall Commencement at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9 in Williams

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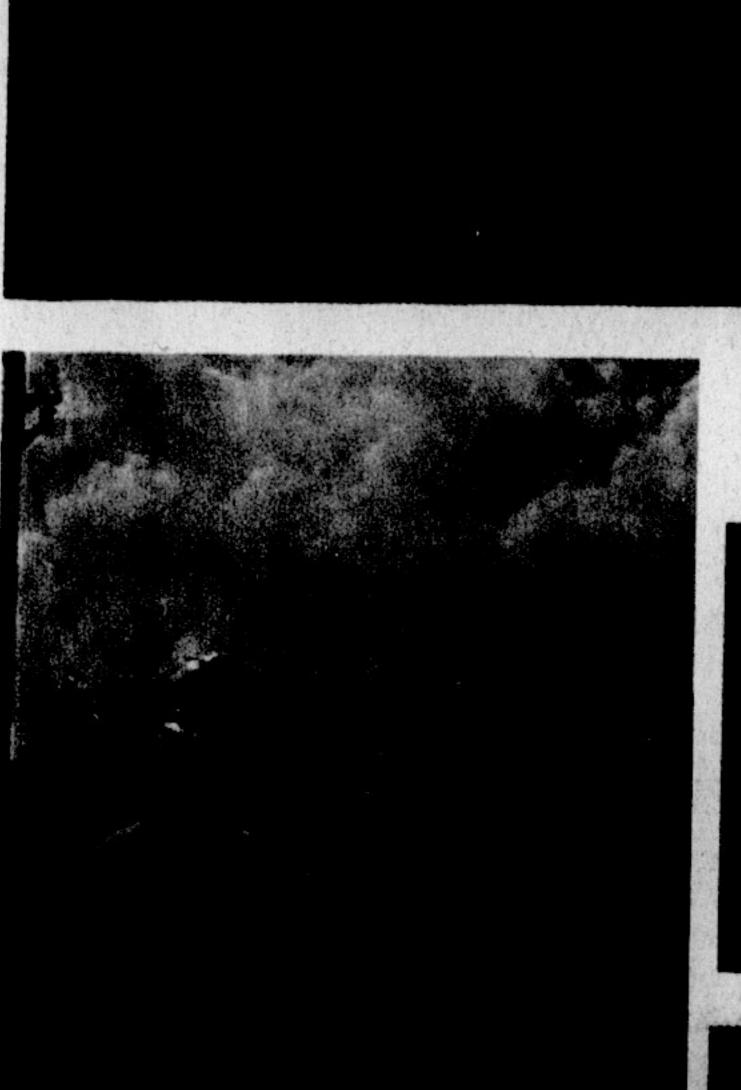
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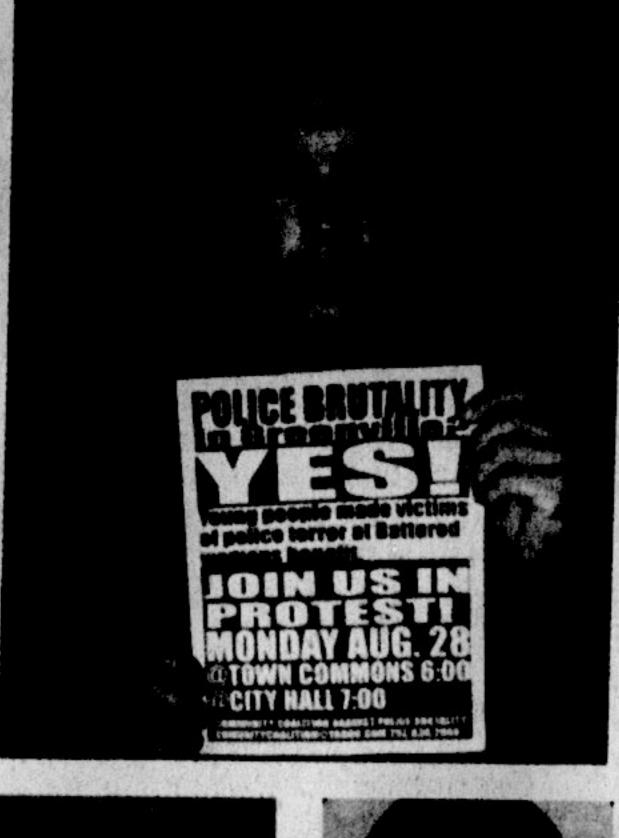
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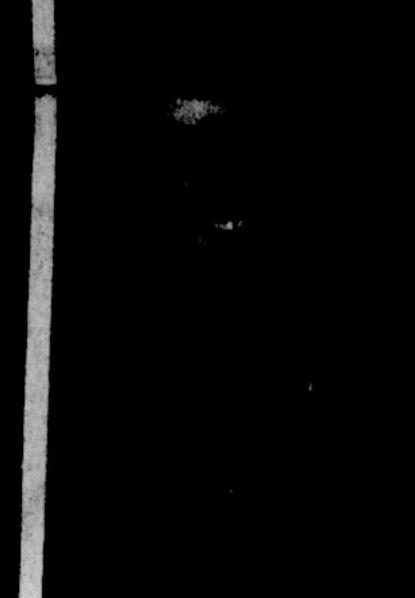












Here's a look back at the semester's biggest stories

Emily Little FOUNTAINHEAD EDITOR

1. Webster resigns as ASG president, charged with felony, misdemeanor (Aug. 22, Sept. 2)

Former ECU Student Government Association (SGA) president Cliff Webster Jr. resigned his position as president of the North Carolina Association of Student Governments (ASG) on Sept. 7, less than three months after his arrest for larceny. A stolen \$1,400 metallic bench, normally located north of the McGinnis Theater Arts Building was discovered on June 30 at Webster's residence. A second missing bench was found in the apartment of former French education major Joshua Culp. Webster, a five-year veteran of SGA, said he decided to step down because he believed that ASG no longer promotes student needs.

2. N.C. Higher Education Bonds to provide \$190.6 million (Aug. 24)

On Election Day, North Carolina voted for a \$3.1 million bond referendum that will give ECU a \$190.6 million share. The funding will contribute to construction of the new Science and Technology Building, science laboratories in the Flanagan Building, and heavy renovation of the Belk Allied Health and Rivers Buildings. ASG and SGA campaigned for the referendum with posters and ads on television and in newspapers.

3. Student activists form coalition to end police brutality in Greenville (Aug. 29)

After three young men were arrested for disorderly conduct and obstructing justice in the parking lot behind Backdoor Skate Shop on Aug. 19, several students formed a group to call attention to police brutality in Greenville. According to witnesses, a group of students was assembled outside Backdoor when three officers approached and grabbed one of them. After a confrontation in which one of the officers sprayed a youth with mace, three of the youths were taken to Pitt County Detention Center, where they were held until bond was posted.

Immediately after the incident, some of the students who were present during the arrest took their concerns to a Greenville City Council meeting. Protest rallies were also held in October.

4. Enrollment dips below expectations (Sept. 7)

Less students enrolled at ECU this year than last year. The fall semester's enrollment was approximately 17,850-650 below the expected 18,500. Experts in the office of Undergraduate Studies said the lower enrollment may be the result of implementing higher academic standards. The minimum grade point average (GPA) required to avoid academic probation use to be 1.6 GPA with 32-63 hours of credit. That has been

changed to a 1.9 GPA with 60-74 hours of credit. Graduate enrollment also dropped this semester by about 120 below last year's numbers. The office of Planning and Institutional Research said this may be a result of the current economic boom.

5. Assistant Chief of ECUPD leaves (Oct. 17)

Thomas Younce, assistant chief of the ECU Police Department (ECUPD), left the force on Oct. 16 after five years of service. He accepted a job as director of Public Safety at North Carolina State University (NCSU). A new assistant chief has not yet been named.

6. Student Health undergoes makeover (Oct. 26)

After months of steady construction, Student Health Services (SHS) finally moved from the front of the old building to the newly renovated back on Oct. 23. The construction included new exam rooms, lockers for visiting patients, removal of asbestos and other changes suggested by the Student Health Advisory Committee and student surveys. Many of the aesthetic changes still underway were designed after other university health services around the country.

7. Greenville celebrates Halloween 2000 (Oct. 31, Nov. 2)

This year's annual Halloween celebration was mild compared to some of those in past years. The Greenville Police Department (GPD) reported only three arrests, and students on campus did little more than turn over trash cans, although one student started a fire in Fletcher Hall by throwing a cigarette butt in a mailbox. Midnight Madness at Mendenhall Student Center had a heavy turnout, but overall attendance on Halloween was considerably lower than in years past. ALE arrested a total of 173 individuals with 204 charges given.

This is lower than in years past-195 arrests were made last year.

8. Two shootings downtown unrelated (Oct. 31)

Eighteen-year-old Coastal Community College student Matthew Hartenstein was shot in the leg by an unidentified male on the corner of 5th and Evans streets just after midnight on Saturday, Oct. 28. Hartenstein had nothing to do with the two drivers whose dispute resulted in gunfire, and he did not know the man who shot him. As yet no arrest has been made.

Around the same time, another fight led to gunfire outside the Stop Shop at the corner of 5th and Cotanche streets. Kinston resident Leander "Divine" Simmons, 20, was arrested in a parking lot behind the Sports Pad complex on charges of discharging a firearm, assaulting a government official and assault by pointing a firearm. No one was injured in the second shooting.

9. Police nab Greenville grabber-twice (Oct. 31, Nov. 30)

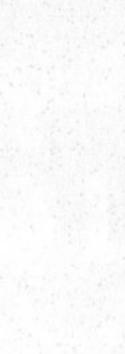
On Oct. 25, after an ongoing surveillance operation by the GPD, police arrested 22-year-old Shelton Edward Thomas on four counts of assault on a female. Thomas confessed to four separate incidents of grabbing female students as they walked down streets near campus. In one incident, he allegedly grabbed a student by her bookbag while driving in his white pickup truck and dragged her a few feet down the street.

On Nov. 26, while Thomas was out on an unsecured \$10,000 bond, two other female students were assaulted by a man fitting his description. One of the women identified Thomas in a mugshot lineup. Currently the GPD is holding him on a \$25,000 secured bond. His court date has been set for Jan. 9, 2001.

10. Alston suspended from rest of season (Nov. 7)

According to police reports, ECU back-up quarterback Richard Alston attempted to pay for a \$9 meal with a \$100 counterfeit bill at the Burger King drivethru located on the corner of 10th Street and Greenville Boulevard at 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 2. The incident led to a search of Alston's apartment, where police found marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

The serial number on the bill matched another counterfeit bill passed by an unknown male the same night at the Galley. Alston was suspended from playing on the ECU football team. He is still allowed to participate in practice. The Secret Service is now involved.



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Chatting with the chancellor

TEC sits down with Richard Eakin to discuss his retirement

> Courtney Wilson STAFF WRITER

All good things must eventually come to an end. Dr. Richard Eakin, ECU's chancellor for the past 13 years, announced his plans to retire earlier this year. Eakin plans to stay in office until the new chancellor arrives this coming spring.

Currently, ECU's Chancellor Search Committee is conducting background checks and references of candidates. The new chancellor will be determined once the committee makes its recommendations on finalists to the ECU Board of Trustees. The board will present Molly Broad, president of the University of North Carolina system, with three names. Broad will then recommend her choice to the UNC Board of Governors, and the new chancellor's name will be publicly announced shortly thereafter in the spring.

TEC recently sat down with the chancellor to find out why he decided to go into retirement.

"I am 62 years of age and this is something that my wife and I considered long and hard," Eakin said. "I think I am at a point in my career that I have made the contributions that I have set out to make at ECU."

Eakin also said he looks forward to the upcoming time he'll have to spend with his wife.

"A less-stressed lifestyle might be in order for both of us," Eakin

Eakin believes he has helped the university accomplish many of its goals, such as becoming a university with doctoral status.

"This means that we are now at a level of graduate offerings that puts us with some of the very best universities," Eakin said.

Another achievement is the improved quality of the students who attend ECU, along with the appearance of the campus itself.

"[Students should] take some pride now in how our campus looks," Eakin said. "I think it's a place where people want to be, and I think it's certainly something that is attractive to perspective students and parents."

Being chancellor has some extra perks to it. Like having the opportunity to meet many interesting individuals.

"A large part of my job takes me off the campus and I meet with friends of the university, donors, alumni, members of the general assembly, other community leaders and statesmen, international leaders and that's fun, it's kind of a perk," Eakin said.

On the flip side, being chancellor isn't all fun and games. Often times the chancellor is removed from interacting with students on a day-to-day basis.

"I have been screened away from students; that is, the amount of contact the chancellor has in a very natural way with students is very limited," Eakin said. "You sort of force those contacts."

Eakin said his job has kept him out of "that mix with students," which is something he really enjoys.

After his chancellorship is over, Eakin and his wife plan to stay here in Greenville. The chancellor will take research leave for a while. Eakin will return to ECU in January 2002, when he will teach educational leadership in the School of Education.

"[Teaching] is a wonderful way

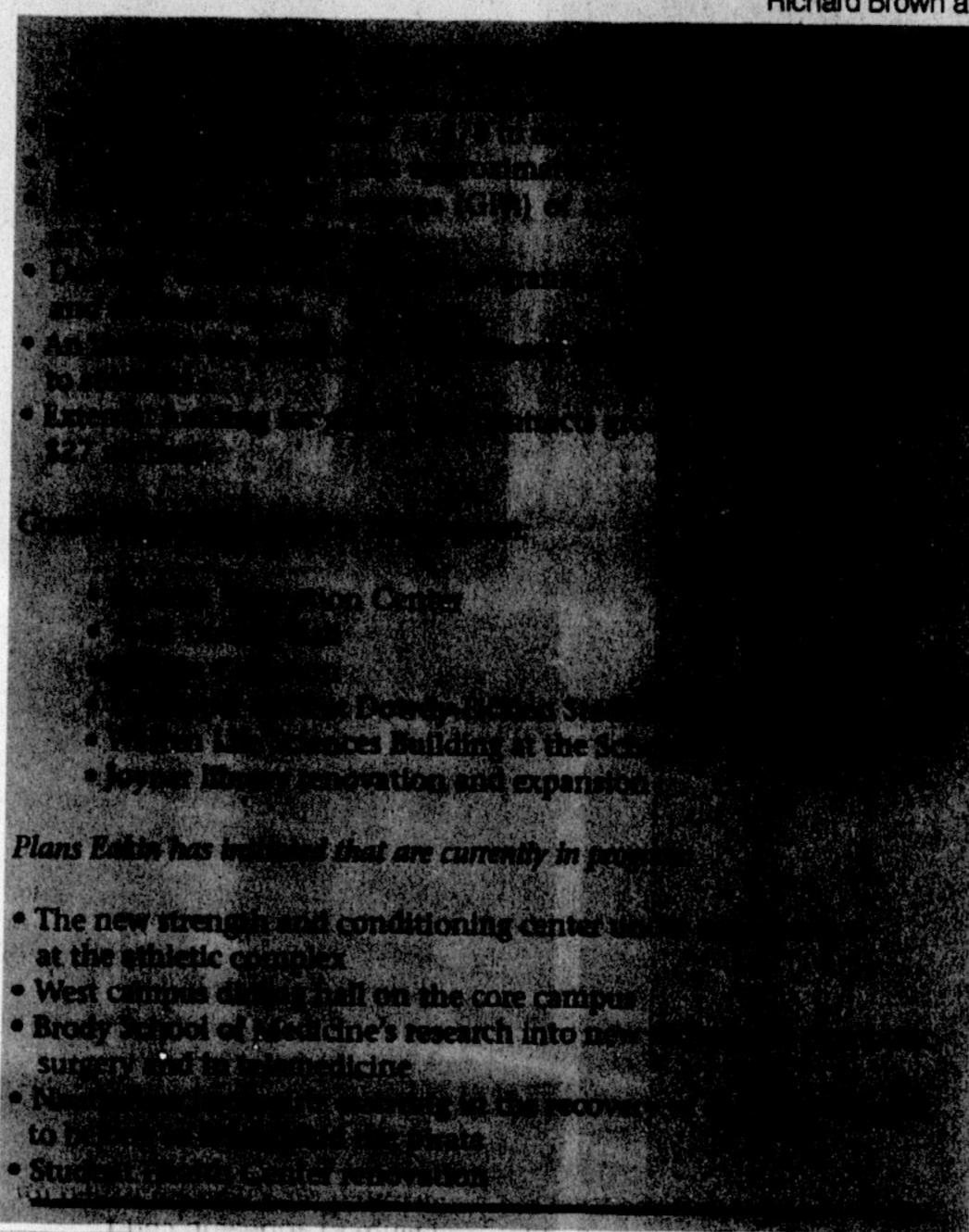
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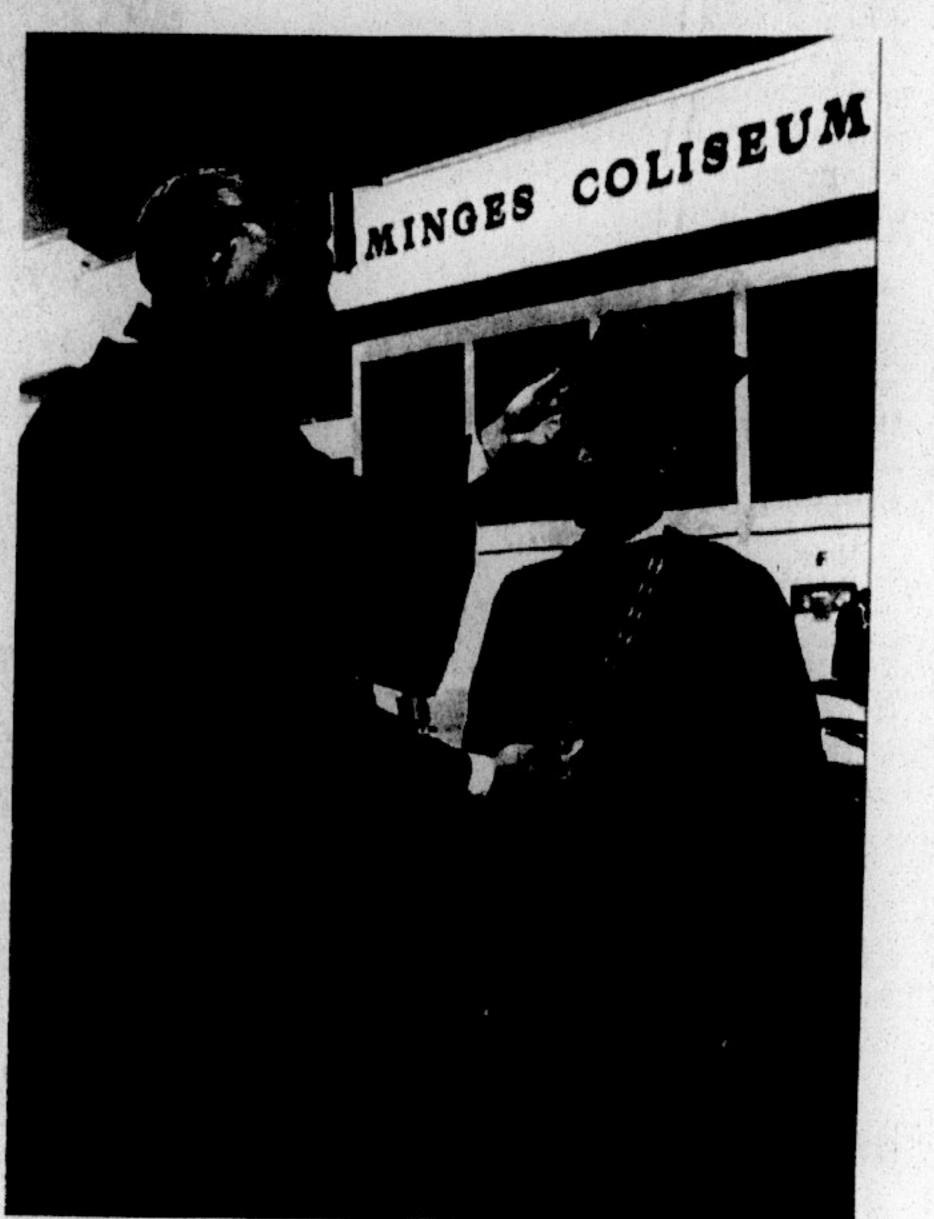


Chancellor Eakin at the dedication of the Student Recreation center in March 1997. (photos from the ECU News Bureau)

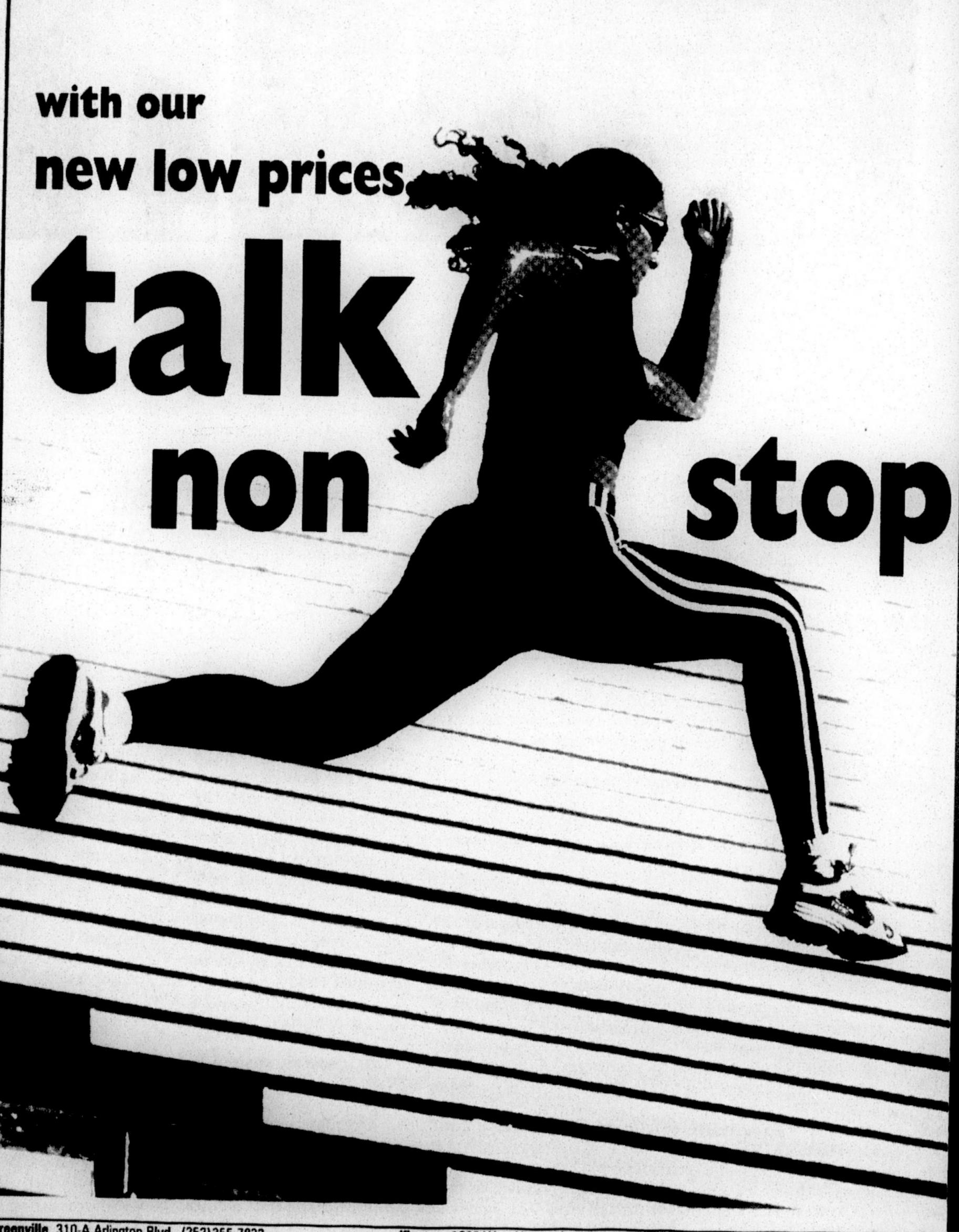


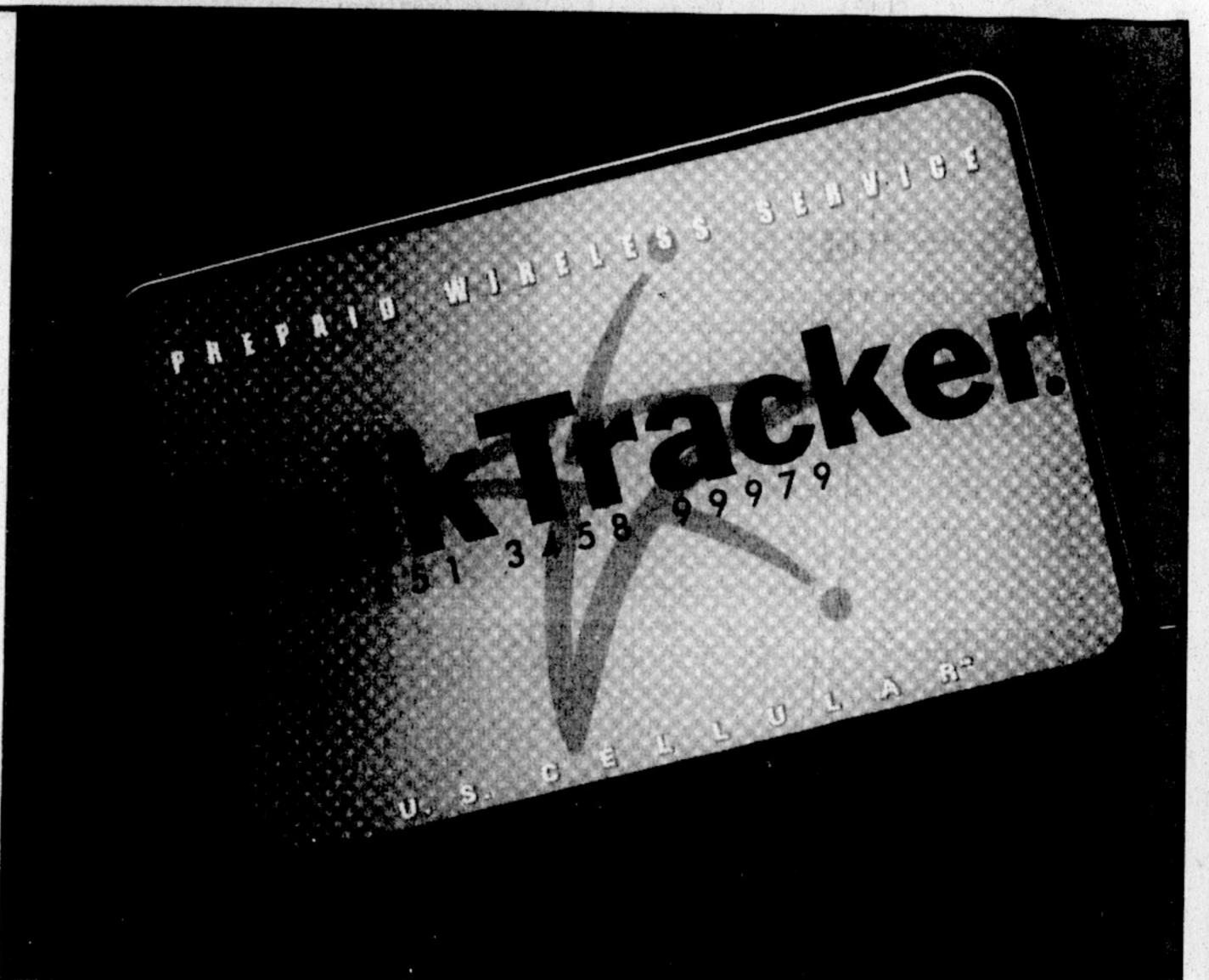
Richard Brown at a daily meeting during the floods after Hurricane Floyd in September 1999.

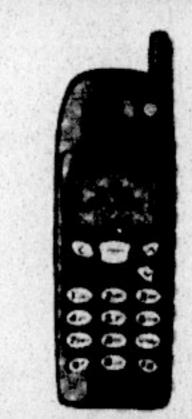




Eakin with speaker Michael Ferrari before spring commencement in 1987, Dr. Eakin's first commencement at ECU.







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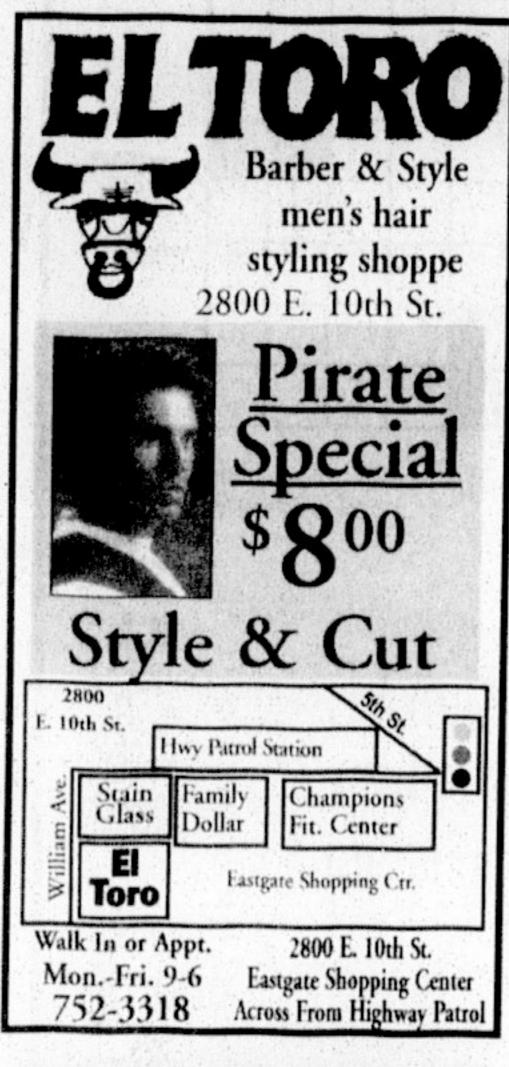
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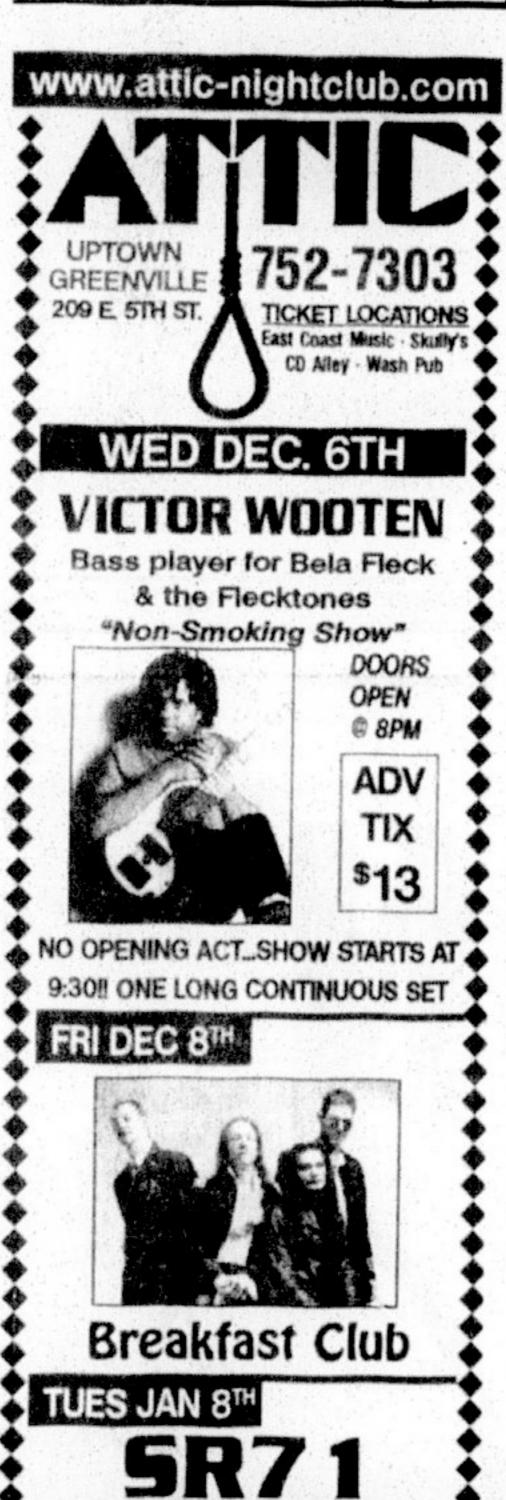
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Arena at Minges Coliseum. The processional of graduates will start at 9:15 a.m. Chancellor Richard Eakin will be the commencement speaker.

News photographers with credentials may work from the floor along perimeter of the seated graduates. Only the dignitaries will be allowed on the podium. The coliseum's rear hallway that will serve as the formation area for the processional will be open only to graduates, marshals and ECU administrators.

Teddy Bears for Kids

SNCAE and the Elementary Education Club are working together on a Teddy Bears for Kids service project. Members and nonmembers are welcome to participate in this effort to provide the children at Pitt Memorial Hospital with some holiday cheer.

Participants will meet for a Dutch treat dinner from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Golden Corral (504 SW Greenville Blvd). After the meal, the bears will be stuffed.

SNCAE is also conducting a food drive for Grimesland First Born Community Development Center, so bring two non-perishable canned goods or paper items to the meal. Contact Therese Wetherington at The_wether@hotmail.com.

Freeboot Froliday

Join Uptown Greenville in celebrating the holiday season as The *Daily Reflector* presents Freeboot Frolidays. Freeboot Frolidays will be held from 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday Dec.15 at the Sports Pad complex. Admission is free, and sodas, beer, mixed drinks and wine will be available. The event will be highlighted by karaoke caroling and a visit from Santa himself. Uptown restaurants will be providing free munchies for the crowd.

Adding to the festivities will be horse-drawn carriage rides beginning at 6 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. Friday Dec. 15 thru Sunday Dec. 17 at the BB&T parking lot. Ticket costs are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. All proceeds will go to benefit future Uptown Greenville events.

Referendum may allow for more student parking

SGA makes requests to give students MSC lot

Courtney Wilson STAFF WRITER

A new parking referendum was passed by Parking and Transportation Services Thursday, Nov. 30. The referendum may allow students access to the parking lots located behind Mendenhall Student Center (MSC) next year.

The parking and transportation committee held an open meeting Thursday to discuss students' concerns with parking on campus. The committee, comprised of 17 members including members of SGA and Parking and Transportation Services, is an advisory committee that listens to students' concerns and reports back to Parking and Transportation Services.

The SGA submitted two requests to the committee. The first request would return the 56 staff spaces behind MSC back to the students by Jan. 7, 2001.

After hearing opposition from students and SGA members, the committee agreed to pass a motion made by David Santa Anna, the director of Transportation Services. SantaAna's motion will allow staff to park in the MSC lot from 7 a.m.-3 p.m., students with commuter stickers to park in the lot beginning at 3 p.m., and all other university registered vehicles to park beginning at 4 p.m.

Currently, the lot is reserved for vehicles with staff stickers from 7 a.m.-5 p.m., and all university registered vehicles beginning at 5 p.m.

Earlier this summer the MSC lot was accessible to all university registered vehicles. This fall, Parking and Transportation Services made

to the increased construction on campus.

One student who opposed the referendum was Keith Tingley, president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, which governs all fraternities at ECU.

"I am disgusted with what I just students said increased construction on and around campus has also added to congested parking lots and lowered numbers of student spaces. The committee said it is

"That two hours does not make a difference to the people I represent."

Tingley said other alternatives could help solve the campus's parking problems. He suggested that the parking lot behind MSC be given entirely back to the students.

"I'll take two hours over noth-

ing any day," said one member of the Parking and Transportation Services.

The SGA's second request was

The SGA's second request was to return the parking lot between 4th and Reade streets and the parking lot between 3rd and Reade streets back to commuter lots by Jan 7, 2001. The committee did not discuss this request during the meeting.

Students during the meeting talked about problems they faced when parking on campus. The students said increased construction on and around campus has also added to congested parking lots and lowered numbers of student spaces. The committee said it is fully aware of the concerns of the students and it is working hard to find a solution.

All students are encouraged to voice their opinions to Parking and Transportation Services by calling 328-6294.

As of now there is not a specific date as to when the new parking referendum will be put in effect. To keep updated see ECU Web site at www.ecu.edu.

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Nov. 30

Larceny-A staff member reported that \$310 was taken from a register at the Croatan on Nov. 29.

Harassing Phone Calls—A staff member in White Hall reported receiving two collect telephone calls from a subject at the Southside Regional Jail. He stated that he refused the calls.

Larceny—A student in Fletcher Hall reported someone entered her unlocked room and stole a \$100 bill from a drawer.

Suspicious Person—A student reported being followed by a male subject from the intersection of 3rd and Rotary streets to 5th Street. She said that she then ran to the General Classroom Build-

ing, where she had a night class. She stated that the male subject ran after her, but did not enter the building. She reported seeing the same male leaning against a brick wall south of Jenkins Fine Art Building earlier on Nov. 30.

Annoying Phone Calls—A student in Cotten Hall reported receiving several phone calls from a male subject who was singing. She indicated that the calls began a couple of weeks prior. The calls were found to be coming from a room in Jones Hall. The two residents were issued campus appearance tickets (CAT) for the incident.

Dec. 1

Failure to Appear—A student was arrested on a warrant issued for failure to appear in court.

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to finish, to end my career back where I started, doing what I enjoy," Eakin said. "It will be fun."

Eakin is originally from New Castle, Pa., a small town northwest of Pittsburgh. He attended Geneva College, a small liberal arts school in Beaver Falls, Pa., where he majored in mathematics and physics.

Eakin's academic career began in 1964, when he became a member of the mathematics faculty at Bowling Green University in Ohio. He later moved on to administrative work.

Eakin is married to the former Jo Ann McGeehan. They have two children who are grown and married. Maridy, an ECU graduate, lives in Raleigh, and Matthew lives in Columbus, Ohio. The chancel-

lor and his wife became proud grandparents seven weeks ago with the birth of their granddaughter, Megan Elizabeth.



Eakin with State Rep. George Miller during a legislative tour that helped lay the foundation for the just-passed higher education bond referendum.

Professional schools trying hard to attract and keep graduates

Knight-Ridder Tribune (TMS)— Vanessa Sloat never worried about getting a job as an attorney after finishing University of Miami law school in May. A year before graduation, she accepted a job with Akerman Senterfitt in its West Palm Beach, Fla., office. Before her first day, her bosses informed her that she would be receiving a raise.

Most new lawyers today know the tales of long job searches only as hearsay.

What a difference a decade has made, not just in law, but also in the accounting and medical professions. Once considered the ultimate ticket to success, these traditional careers now take a back seat to computer science, information technology and electrical engineering, where college graduates can earn big bucks and stock options right out of school. Today, law firms, accounting firms and medical organizations are forced to recruit fiercely, offer better compensation and work harder to retain talent.

"There used to be prestige in working for a public accounting firm," said Mario de Armas, a partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Miami. "Now kids are looking to work for technology companies that offer more exciting, dynamic environments. ... We're losing a lot of people to those entrees."

of people to those careers."

The numbers show the trend.

The nation's colleges and unit

The nation's colleges and universities' yearly supply of accounting graduates has been almost flat since 1982.

• The number of applicants to

the nation's 125 medical schools fell for the third straight year in 1999.

• The number of law degrees awarded over the last five years has remained virtually flat and law school enrollment has declined by nearly 4,000 students.

Today a computer science major

Today, a computer science major can walk out of the classroom and into a \$55,000-a-year job. Meanwhile, going to medical school and incurring thousands of dollars in debt isn't that lucrative anymore, says Dr. Robert Hinkley, associate dean for admission at University of Miami Medical School.

The result is that graduates of law, accounting and medical schools are entering one of the best job markets ever. They find themselves recruited much harder and much sooner—and they're getting paid more. Major law firms nationwide recently raised starting salaries for lawyers to \$105,000, up from only \$50,000 in 1995, according to the National Association of Law Placement.

"It used to be law students would seek out the employers. Now it's the other way around," said Jim Groh, partner with Holland & Knight in Miami. "We do everything to attract the best students long before they graduate."

The economy has played a major role in creating demand as well.

"We're busier than we've ever been in the history of this city," Groh said. "Recruiting good lawyers has become more of an art because of the need for them."





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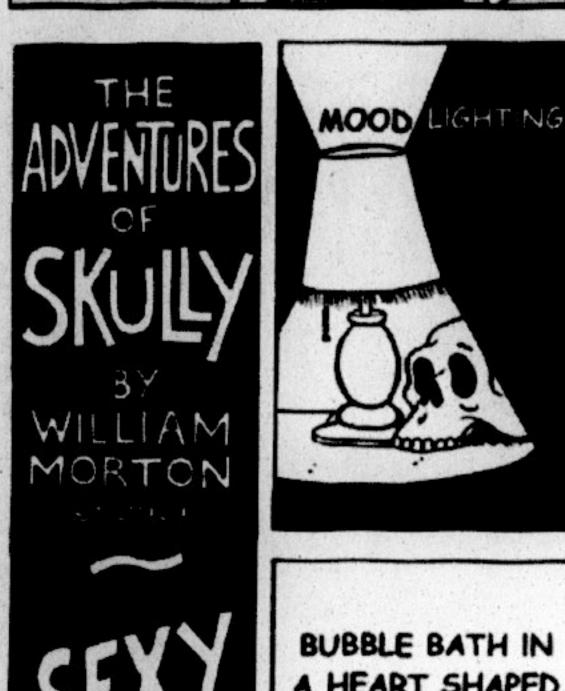
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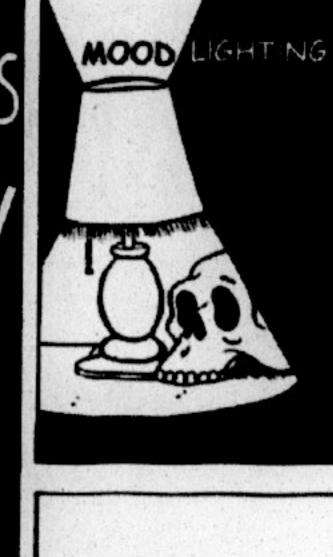
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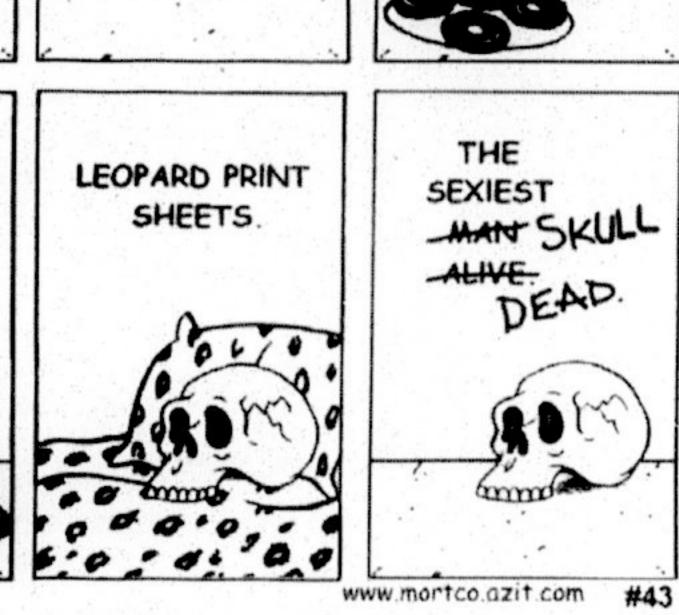












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TEC would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to Chancellor Richard Eakin for his dedication to our university and most importantly, the students.

For the past 13 years, Eakin has been an integral force, helping to transform the university to doctoral status, as well as helping to expand our library, create the Student Recreation Center, improve Todd Dining Hall and Minges Coliseum, build the upper deck at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium and the Warren Life Sciences Building at the School of Medicine.

Through his leadership our university has seen enrollment climb from 14,878 to 18,000 students. Our test scores are improving as class ranks have increased. ECU will acquire \$190.6 million thanks to the recent passage of the N.C. Higher Education Bond. This money will give the university the opportunity to continue to compete with other schools as technology and facilities are constructed and renovated.

Eakin's leadership has led the School of Medicine to make great strides with new technological advancements like telemedicine and robotic surgery. An additional 350-400 new faculty positions will be added to the university's academic departments. Eakin's vision in 1992's Campus Plan, will help to keep congestion near 10th Street at a minimum while expanding the school and one day making it a pedestrian-only campus.

Our chancellor has even taken time out of his busy days to oblige interviews with our staff over the years, sometimes at the very last-minute. We thank you Chancellor Eakin, for everything you have done.

Now about that TEC sign ...



LETTER TO THE EDITOR No hypocrites for president

Dear Editor.

I recently read a quote in which Presidential hopeful Al Gore made comments concerning the Florida recount of votes. When asked questions concerning the recount, Mr. Gore said that he hoped everyone would have patience with the recount so that democratic process would be allowed to run smoothly.

He then said, "That is what I

am focused on. Not the contest, but our democracy. I would not want to win the presidency by a few votes cast in error or misinterpreted or miscounted." By making these comments a few days ago, Mr. Gore has openly declared himself a hypocrite.

The Florida votes have been recounted, and George W. Bush has been declared the winner. If Mr. Gore had lived up to his words that he said a few days ago, then he would have not have brought

the lawsuit up against the recounts,

After all, did he not say that he was focused on our democracy and the good of the country? By doing this, Al Gore's actions just go to show that politics are something: that is hard for people to trust. Would you want a president who: says one thing and then turns; around and does the exact oppo-:

Lee Sutton

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Democrat believes Supreme Court should step in

Dear Editor,

I am so sick and tired of hearing about the 2000 presidential election. I just can not believe that it is still going on-it should have been over weeks ago. The Democrats down in Florida need to recognize that Gore is not going to win no matter how much they manipulate the system.

Everyone knew that Bush was going to be president before they even started to do the recounts.

Do not get me wrong, though, I am a diehard Democrat and I voted for Gore myself, but I have come to terms with the fact that Bush has won the election. And no matter how many times they do a recount

Bush is still going to come out on

If you ask me, this whole mess is doing nothingbut ruining Al Gore's political image. And now I hear that the United States Supreme Court might be call into action.

If the Supreme Court were to get involved with the Florida dispute then they would be able to bring the controversy to a close. Al Gore was quoted as saying that the issue of the White House winner "does not belong in federal court." Well, of course it does.

The dispute does not just affect Florida, but this nation as whole. The only reason Gore does not want the Supreme Court to intervene is because he knows that he has

already lost. Even throughout the whole confusing disturbance this election has had to suffer, I still remain a hardcore Democrat. However, the way Al Gore has conducted himself these past few weeks has shown me just how important it is to pay attention to politics and take it seriously.

If I had known he was going to act like such a baby, then I may not have voted for him. I think that this nation just needs to realize that Bush will be president for the next term and there is nothing anyone can do about it, so stop bickering and let's get on with our lives.

> Benjamin Joseph Pfeifer Freshman, ECU

Faisal Lodhi

IN MYOPINION:

site? I know I wouldn't.

Muslims look forward to fasting

While the ECU population goes about its business by going to classes, getting ready for exams, etc., they may not realize that this is a very special and important time of the year for the Muslim people, here on campus, and around the world.

It is known as the month of Ramadan, a month in which all Muslims are required to observe fast from the early morning to until sunset.

As most people already know, fasting is prescribed in the three major religions, Islam, Judaism and Christianity, if not more. But the way each group fasts today is

For a Muslim, fasting requires the abstinence of food, water, and sexual activity from the first thread of light in the morning until the sun begins to set. He or she is also required to make more effort to stay away from sinful acts and to

increase their good deeds during this month. And you do this for no purpose other than seeking the pleasure of God Almighty.

So what is a typical day like during Ramadan for a believer? He or she gets up in the morning, before the sun begins to rise, has something to eat, and then offer prayer. If you are unfamiliar, Muslims pray five times a day; early morning, noon, afternoon, evening and at night. Then, they go about their daily schedule of work, school or whatever they normally do.

As you can imagine, one would get hungry, perhaps thirsty, during the day.

All of this helps with the remembrance of God, learning selfrestraint and it has other medically proven benefits as well. Doctors prescribe fasting to their patients from time to time to help reduce many unwanted and unhealthy habits. It should also make one

realize what it would be like if they weren't provided with enough to eat on a regular basis, thus helping them to be more generous in charity and be kind to those less fortunate.

In today's society, we tend to look at those who have more than us, thus not being as thankful as we should be for what we have.

Ramadan is a time of blessings for a Muslim. It is a time where he or she can hope for great virtues, forgiveness and mercy from God Almighty. It is a time where all the good deeds are multiplied numer-

One might think that giving up food and water would be difficult and therefore not something to look forward to, but for a true believer, it is a great month.

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Brad Burke

IN MY OPINION

Mr. Rogers leaves, puppets shed a tear

Peoria, Ill. The Bradley Scout (Bradley U.)-There goes the neighborhood.

After 30 unforgettable years, Fred Rogers will end his run as the undisputed king of public television this month.

As students sit on the cusp of the corporate world, it's easy for us to forget that "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," the award-winning children's show, was as much a part of our youth as jams or tuberculosis

The gentle, grandfatherly Rogers taught us numerous lessons, from coping with complex human emotions to coordinating cheap loafers with bland cardigan sweaters.

But the tragedy of Rogers' departure isn't his terrible fashion sense. It's the fact that, for the most part, today's crop of young viewers never appreciated the man the way we

Well, I've understated my point. What I mean is that today's kids are ungrateful, unimaginative SOBs who wouldn't know great entertainment if it bit them on their fat, lazy asses. Now, I probably sound like some old fogey waving a folded newspaper in the air and screaming at neighborhood punks to get off my lawn. But the more you think about it, the more you realize that today's "tweens" (or whatever they're called) are spoiled. They're mindless zombies who waste each afternoon flipping through 900 cable channels or surfing Internet porn sites.

OK, OK. Maybe we were mindless zombies during the mid '80s too, but television only offered about five channels to choose from and the most advanced computers could barely run "Oregon Trail."

And were these outlets supplying us with big-budget entertainment full of razzle-dazzle effects? Nope, all we had was Rogers' fleet of sock puppets or "3, 2, 1 Contact."

With such limited options, we hardly could wait to plop in front of the tube each day to check out what Rogers and his gang of makebelieve friends were up to.

Not much, usually. Rogers spent most episodes chit-chatting with the mailman and guiding us through crayon factories. Or soup factories. Or pretty much anywhere that shipped loads of useless crap off an assembly line.

Those adventures didn't exactly blow us away, but trips to the Crayola factory were like Disneyland vacations for Rogers' imaginary cohorts from the Neighborhood of Make Believe.

You remember that bustling borough, don't you? It housed King Friday XIII, the diminutive puppet that ruled with an iron fist (but a soft heart), his submissive wife, Queen Sara, his effiminate son, Prince Tuesday, and a cast of talking animals that included X the Owl and Henrietta Cat.

There also were a few life-sized, human citizens who inexplicably accepted the monarch's laws, despite being able to pick his cloth body up and chuck it into next

And lord only knows how Rogers communicated with that

trolley. What, did he speak bell? Despite its creative shortcomings, the show captivated children and critics alike for three decades. That's a far cry from today's flashy cartoons and computer-generated animation.

Most of those shows are the equivalent of a 30-minute lobotomy. Educational programs of yesteryear slowly are giving way to ones that numb kids' brains just long enough for yuppie parents to have some peace and quiet (Can you say "Teletubbies"?)

Sure, "Sesame Street" and that damn purple dinosaur teach kids their ABCs, but Rogers' genius was his mastery of emotional issues. He showed children that it was all right for grown men-and even puppets-to be sensitive and to share their feelings.

When Rogers signs off for the last time, PBS will fill his slot with some second-rate replacement that kids no doubt will ignore in favor of their Eminem CDs and Pokemon trading cards.

It's too bad Rogers has to go, but as his age creeps toward the century mark, he can't be expected to stay in touch with a generation obsessed with Abercrombie and Fitch and Playstation 2.

Perhaps it's time for Rogers to go, before some suits at PBS convince him to bust through the door in cargo pants and FUBU gear. Still, we can only hope his message continues after his departure.

Who knows, maybe Barney's got a closet full of cardigans ready

Melissa Bedsole

IN MY OPINION

Bishops shouldn't use status to influence abortion

College Station, TX. The Battalion (Texas A&M U.)-Recently "nearly 300 bishops unanimously approved a position statement that calls for a constitutional amendment banning abortion."

Although Cathleen Cleaver, the new head of the bishop's antiabortion secretariat, acknowledged that "the chances of a constitutional amendment were remote," it is their influences that will matter illegal "back alley" clinic.

Their opinions on the issue of abortion could influence many lawmakers.

While this is an important issue, it does not need to be about changing any laws. The Constitution, as well as its

amendments, defines rules that pertain to all people in this coun-Many Christians are quick to

beliefs regarding murder, but life is not the only Christian value that is involved here. This issue involves honesty.

point out that abortion goes against

Those fighting abortions likely have not been in a situation where they had to deal with having a child created by rape.

How can these people truly

say they know what they would choose to do if they were in that situation? It is probable that neither the bishops nor their supporters can say with certainty what they would do.

in realizing that this procedure is never going to be ended. For some people, it is merely

But honesty is most important

the choice of a doctor's office or One is clean and safe, and the

other is not-Americans should not make the "back alley" the only choice for someone. This issue involves having to

understand the decision of others and respecting that the choices people make about their bodies are not something that laws can be made for.

Abortion involves one person and her body and it is wrong for the bishops to support mundane laws

to govern such a personal issue. There are no laws on eating disorders, but they are killing people. Millions of Americans are ruining their bodies, but no one-including the bishops-is urging regulation against it.

A possible reason is because, technically, their bodies belong

to them and what they choose for themselves is their right.

Like it or not, unborn babies are a part of a woman's bodies. They are not independent-without the mother's body, the baby would

There are no laws against women who smoke, drink or malnourish their bodies while they are pregnant.

It would have been fitting if the bishops had kept this in mind when they drafting their position statement.

Mothers are causing life-threatening problems for their children, but no one is stopping them.

Their decision is not anyone else's decision, and abortion should not be, either.

Granted, the idea of using abortion as a form of birth control method should be ended. But there are emergencies, and there needs to be a safe way to deal with them. Abortion is not the right choice for everyone, but it should remain a choice.

Abortion is an issue in America-religion is an issue in America. Other than that, the two should not be related in opinion forming and law-making.

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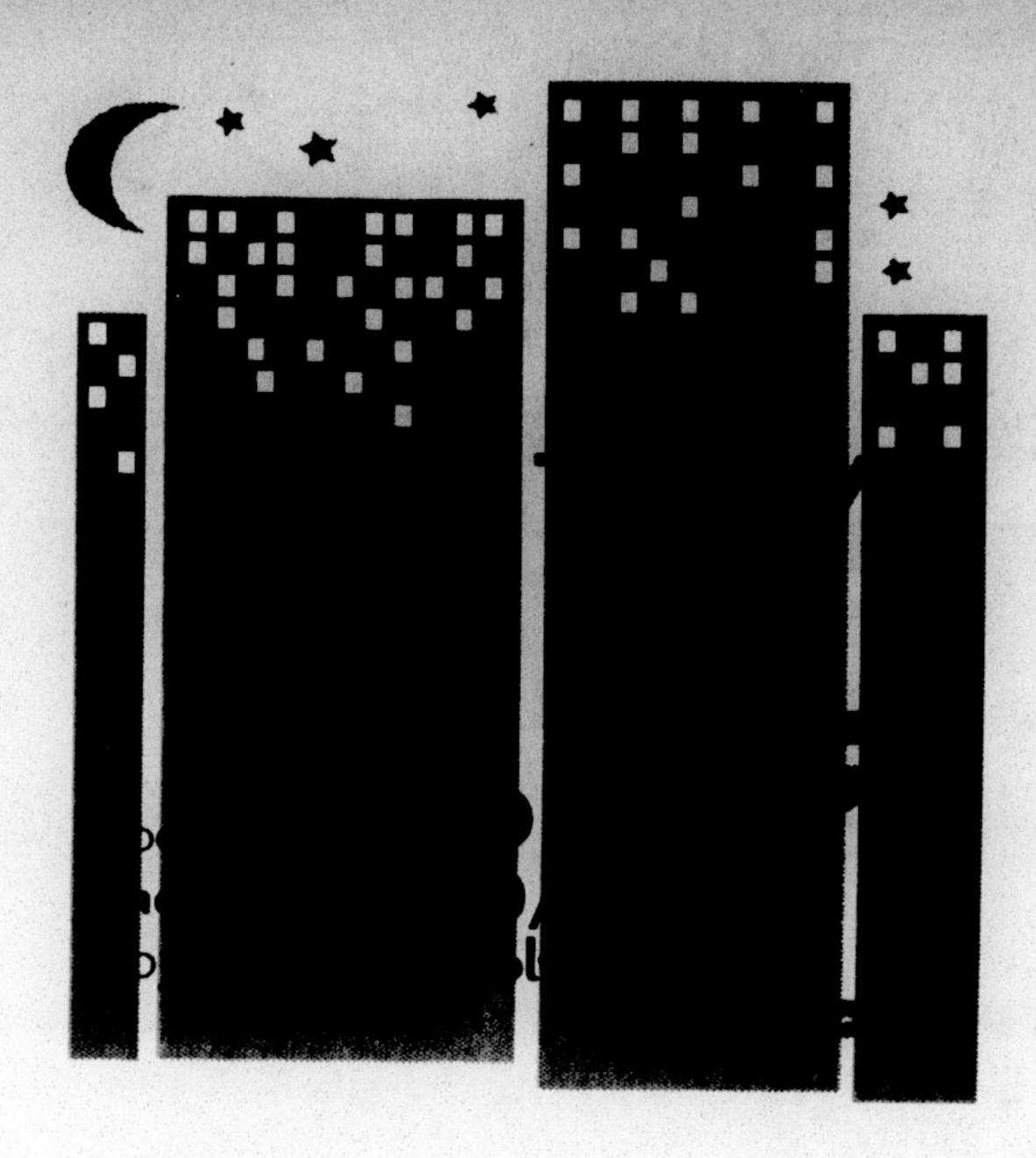
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8% OF COLLEGE STUDENTS HAVE NOT WATCHED T.V. IN THE LAST WEEK.

NEARLY 2/3 OF COLLEGE STUDENTS DRINK ON AVERAGE LESS THAN ONE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PER DAY.*

ONE OUT OF EVERY FOUR AMERICANS HAS APPEARED ON TV.

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*SOURCE: CORE INSTITUTE 1

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Affordable gifts for X-MAS 2000

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2000

HOROSCOPES

Today's Birthday: Risks are appealing, but don't go too far. A friend who's affectionate now could be fair-weathered.

Aries

(March 21-April 19)

You're curious, so go ahead and ask. Be polite about it, though. What you discover may be disturbing, so discretion is advised.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

What you thought was a good deal may have turned sour. Better check the fridge, bank accounts and credit cards.

Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Sometimes you learn the most from the one you like the least. If you don't understand them, get a friend to translate.

Cancer

(June 22-July 22)

Working your fingers to the bone and keeping on your toes is not an easy position to maintain. Don't suffer in silence!

Leo

(July 23-Aug. 22)

Don't leave a job unfinished. A practical, hardworking woman will not be pleased if you leave her with a mess to clean up.

Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

A renovation project may cost more than planned. Getting the best isn't easy. Neither is agreeing on what the best is.

Libra

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Your partner wants to lead, but you don't feel passive. Stand up for issues you care most about, and do it with grace.

Scorpio

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You do well under pressure. Staying cool and calm when everyone else freaks out could serve you well, and soon.

Sagittarius

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You may feel lost in love, and that's wonderful. If the two of you agree to keep costs down, no problem.

Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You've thought about starting fresh, and are almost ready to act. Think of what might go wrong, just to play it safe.

Aquarius

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

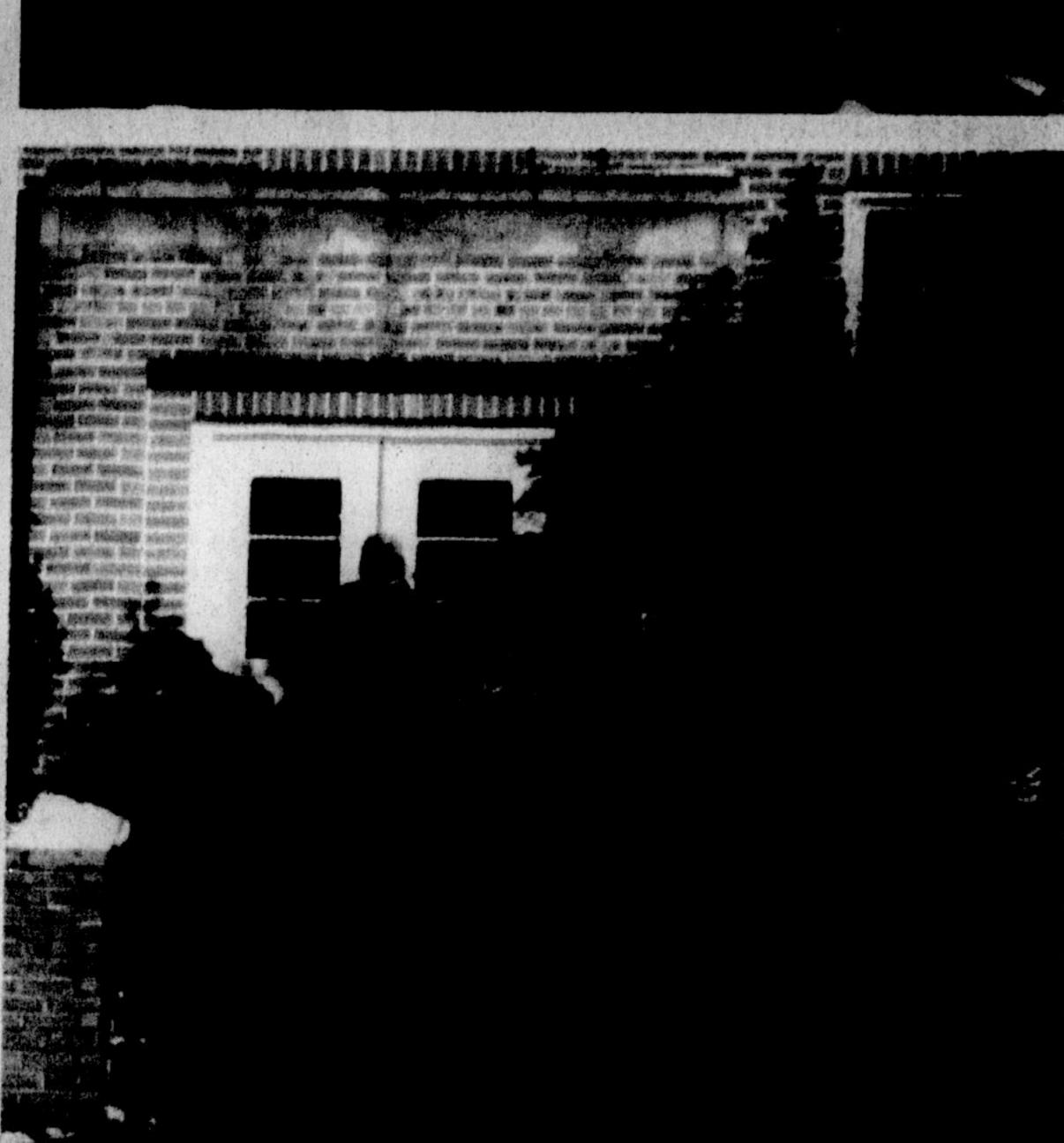
You and your friends are on a winning streak. You're learning fast, and it shows. Meanwhile, a rumor may be wrong.

Pisces

(Feb. 19-March 20)

Ask for more pay than you think you're worth. A friend may say it can't be done, but don't listen. Aim high.



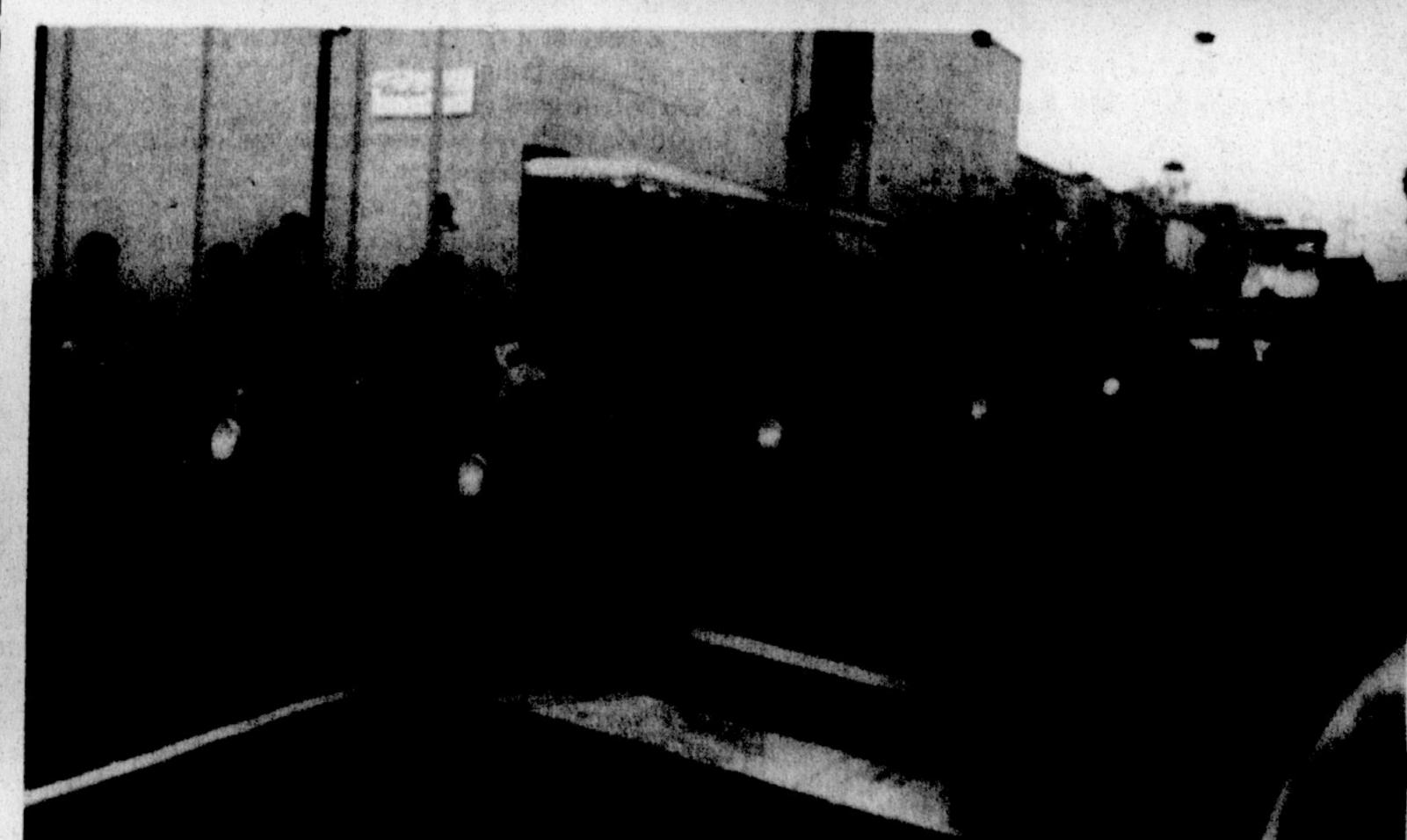












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s a company executive in the worldn't make it to thens Airport in time for his flight to Brusso he had his secretary call Axon Airines for him. After she made the connection, she told the guy at the other end that there was a bomb on the plane.

It worked. The flight was delayed, but Kotiadis didn't realize that his efficient secretary identified him to the airline before putting him through. He was arrested as soon as he got to the airport.

Suddenly, everything went dark

Gladys Wyse thought she reached for the eye drops but actually grabbed the super glue and then proceeded apply it to her irritated eye. The New Jersey woman realized her error when she found she had glued her eye shut. She was rushed to the hospital where the doctors took care of it. There was no damage.

The bird is ours now, my friend

Troops in India captured a falcon that was trained to spy on them by Pakistani rangers. The bird was fitted with an antenna and radio transmitter, and was apparently sending signals back to Pakistan as it flew over border areas.

The two countries have fought three wars in the past 50 years. Fifteen minutes after the bird was captured, the Rangers asked for a meeting to discuss the matter. The request was denied.

That's a bit steep, isn't it?

In Finland, there are no set fines for traffic violations. They are linked to a driver's income. As a result, 27-year-old dot-com millionaire Jaakko Rytsola was grabbed for doing 40 miles per hour (mph) in a 25 mph zone and was fined \$71,400.

Love in the afternoon

Patrick Hayes had a passionate encounter one afternoon in an apartment in Pittsburgh with Jewel Vermillion, an enchanting dame he had met not long before. And he didn't stick around long afterward either.

The tryst, which took place 59 years ago, produced a son named Jack Hayes, at least according to the very same Jack Hayes, who is currently trying to get an inheritance from Patrick, his alleged father, who died in 1998 at age 84 without leaving a will.

To prove Patrick is his daddy, Jack had him exhumed for DNA tests after a 21-month court battle. Results are pending.

Car, car, car, camel, car

Motorists on the southbound highway to Ludwigshafen, Germany, told police they thought they saw a camel running along the road. They were right. The beast had escaped from a nearby circus. Police herded him into a courtyard where they captured him.

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Maura Buck **FEATURES EDITOR**

With the anticipation of the holiday season drawing near, it's time to talk gifts. Instead of spending money most college

students don't have, try to conserve by purchasing great gifts at great prices. You don't have to spend a trillion dollars on a gift for someone to like it.

This year, make an effort to sit down, come up with a meaningful list of ideas for loved ones and

fight through the crowds. It doesn't have to be mission impossible.

TEC has chosen a few gifts that anyone on your shopping list would be thrilled to receive. From the office's secret Santa to your sister's sports fanatic boyfriend, think about

purchasing some of these gifts, all at reasonable prices, to fill those boxes without filling your wallet full of receipts and not

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For her:

Polo Ralph Lauren tote Cost: \$16.99 Available: TJ Maxx 3040 Evans St., Greenville

This designer bag is perfect for any gal. It can be used as a book bag, purse, carry on item or even a gym bag. Typically, a bag like this would sell for at least \$38 in department stores so the person you give it to will think that you went all out. It would be especially good for a secret Santa, roommate, sister or friend.

> Tommy Hilfigger pajamas Cost: \$16.99 Available: TJ Maxx 3040 Evans St., Greenville

She will love these pajamas because they can serve as both casual and sexy. The plaid is perfect for winter and yet the spaghetti straps can be worn throughout the summer. It's great for the casual athletic but fashion conscious girl. Though they are cheaper, Tommy Hilfigger is always a reliable brand. It would be perfect for a secret Santa, roommate, sister or friend.

> The Rescue, by Nicholas Sparks Cost: \$14 Available: Any book store

If you like emotional stories, read this book. It's jam-packed with sentimental moments. Any girl who enjoys to read will love

this book. Sparks is a fellow North Carolinian who has also authored such popular titles as Message in a Bottle. One way to make giving a book special is to write something meaningful in the inside. This is also perfect for a mom, bookworm or friend.

For him:

"Zelda-Majora's Mask" Cost: \$59.99 Available: Any electronic store

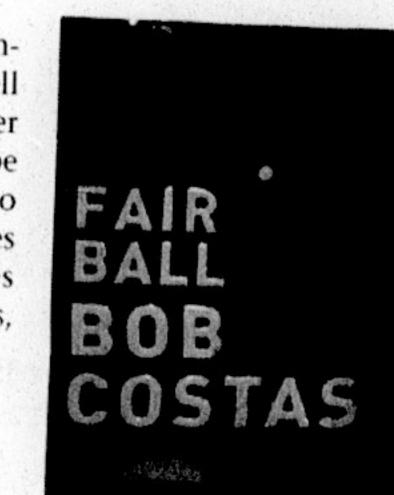
This new release is great for the Nintendo 64 game enthusiast. It is a bit expensive, but he will play it for hours on end. The game is a follow-up to the highly acclaimed "Zelda" that came out in 1999. The mission in this sequel is to get as many masks as possible and inevitably beat the Skull Kid and attain Majora's Mask. This would be great for brothers, boyfriends and friends.

> The Gladiator DVD Cost: \$20.99 (2 disc-set) Available: Any video distributor

Nothing promotes testosterone like watching this flick based on ancient Rome. Russell Crowe stars in this action piece. DVDs offer better picture and sound quality and can be accessed by most recent PCs. In addition to the movie, the DVD offers additional features like deleted scenes and behind the scenes footage. This is a great gift for dads, boyfriends, brothers and friends.

> Fair Ball, by Bob Costas Cost: \$21.95 Available: Any book store

Any baseball fan will love this book, but more, any sports fan would enjoy it. Costas explains what's gone wrong in the game that used to be about fun. Costas, NBCs award-winning broadcaster, discusses the growing financial disparities within nearly two-thirds of the teams in Major League Baseball. This book is ideal for dads, boyfriends, brothers, grandpas and anyone who enjoys baseball.



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Capturing the memories

to my background ... You never want to

have action behind your subject."

April Kilpatrick

Senior photography major

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Photography major gives tips for taking better pictures this holiday season

> Maura Buck FEATURES EDITOR

Taking photos is one of the best ways to capture your friends and family forever during the holidays. Many of us do not have enough photo experience to judge if the conditions are right for capturing those

special moments. "I think that anyone can benefit from learning the basics of photography," said freshman David Reiner. "I know that I

don't have a lot of experience and sometimes I get photos back that could have been really good if I just knew the correct lighting or the proper angles."

According to senior photography major April Kilpatrick, there are simple ways to capture that perfect shot this holiday season.

"One thing that I always do is pay attention to my background," Kilpatrick said. "You never want to have action behind your subject."

Here other tips Kilpatrick suggests when taking photos.

1. Keep your camera ready. You never know when you can catch your great aunt in a priceless pose or your baby cousin taking his or her first steps. Try to always have the camera nearby. If you have a big camera or you don't have one, consider using a disposable on special occasions.

2. Get as close to the subject as possible. When you are able to get close, disturbing backgrounds are eliminated. Try showing just enough of the scene so the pictures is unique and interesting. Be sure to check the allowed distance on your camera. Some cameras will not take clear photos if you are not far enough away from the subject.

3. Adequate lighting is essential to expose film, but good lighting can make your pictures more interesting, colorful, dimensional and flattering to the subject. Strong sunlight is only one of many types of good lighting.

Interestingly, overcast days are the best to take photos. On these days, there is just enough lighting to cast soft shadows.

4. Use your flash. You can improve your pictures by taking full advantage of the flash built into most cameras. It provides extra light when you need it,

especially indoors, and it "One thing that I always do is pay attention freezes action for sharp pictures. A typical range for a point-and-shoot camera

is 4-12 feet. 5. Use the right film. The three most popular print film speeds are 400,

200 and 100. All cameras are capable of handling 6. Try placing your subject somewhere other than nothing wrong with placing the subject there,

the composition more dynamic and interesting to the eye. In addition to these guidelines, Kilpatrick encourages people to try taking different kinds of shots.

however, placing the subject off-center can make

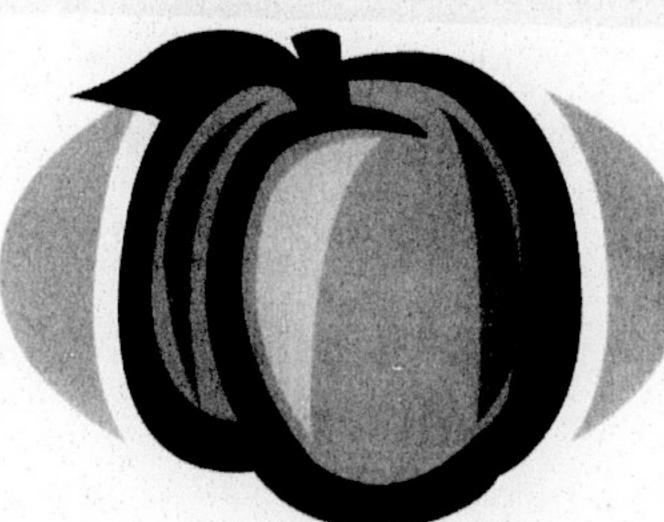
"Try to take different angles on pictures," Kilpatrick said. "It will give people a different point of view. You can zoom in really close; try cropping or look up or down on the subjects to add drama."

After the film is exposed, Kilpatrick encourages people to store the prints in a cool, dry place, such as a closet.

"Those photo boxes that you can get at Target are great," Kilpatrick said. "I would also encourage people to label the backs of the photos with the people who are in the picture, the date and the event or where you are."

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Creme chantilly



What you'll need:

1 quart heavy cream, chilled 3 ounces powered sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/2 pound peach slices

Place the cream in a chilled mixing bowl. Using a balloon whisk, whisk the cream until slightly thickened. Add the sugar and vanilla and continue whisking to the desired con-

sistency. The cream should be smooth and light, not grainy. Do not over whip. Creme chantilly may be stored in the refrigerator for several hours. If the creme begins to soften, gently re-whip as necessary. Serve over peach slices.

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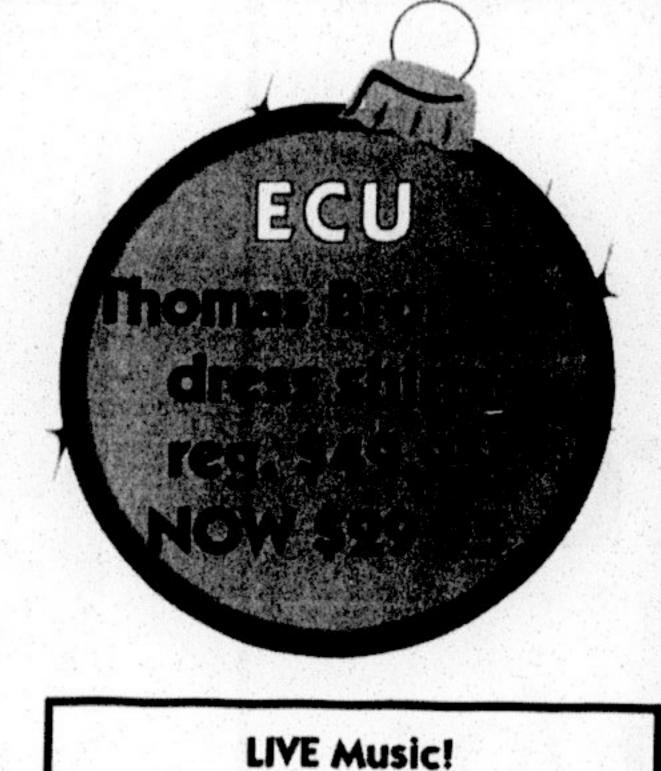
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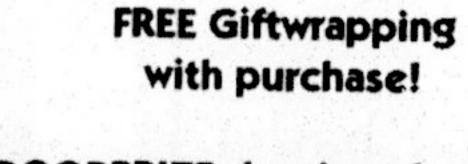












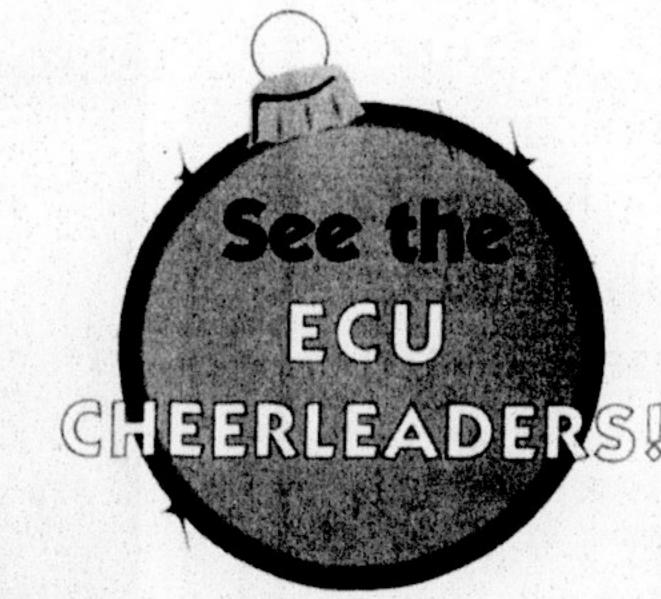
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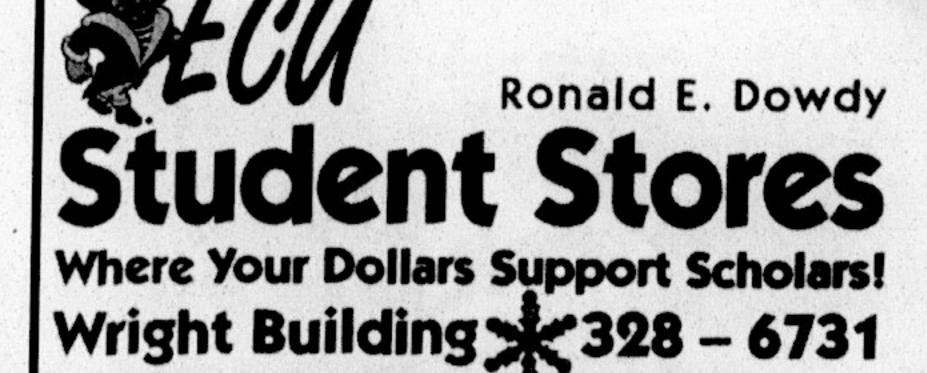
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Parents upset about student newspaper's reprint of Playboy

COLUMBIA, S.C.(AP)-The goal was to update students on a few graduates of Dutch Fork High School. But the result was nothing more than obscene, some parents say.

"As a mother it goes against everything I believe," said Greta Bickley, who has a 14-year-old daughter at Dutch Fork. "This district holds itself up as being excellent in terms of academics and this is the best they could come up with."

The fuss is over a story that ran in the October edition of the school's student newspaper, The Renaissance. It included a photo of Dutch Fork graduate Lauren Hill, who posed for the cover of Playboy magazine's October 2000 issue.

Bickley and a few other parents question the newspaper's decision to print the Playboy cover in the newspaper.

Debra Milhous wrote a letter to the school newspaper staff saying that the photo was in poor taste.

"I didn't think it was appropriate for the students to print," said Milhous, who has two children at Dutch Fork. "The damage has already been done and there's nothing they can do about it now. But if they're going to let this happen, then what's next?"

Editors of the newspaper said they stand by what they did and they have the support of the teacher who oversees the staff, and district administration.

Student adviser Amy Medlock said she discussed the photo with attorneys and school principals before permitting students to print it.

Medlock said she even edited the photo so it would not be revealing. Medlock and the editors agree students were interested in the article, which also featured three other graduates:

- Matt Duffie, a model for Abercrombie and Fitch.
- Charissa Seaman, a dancer for pop singer Britney Spears.

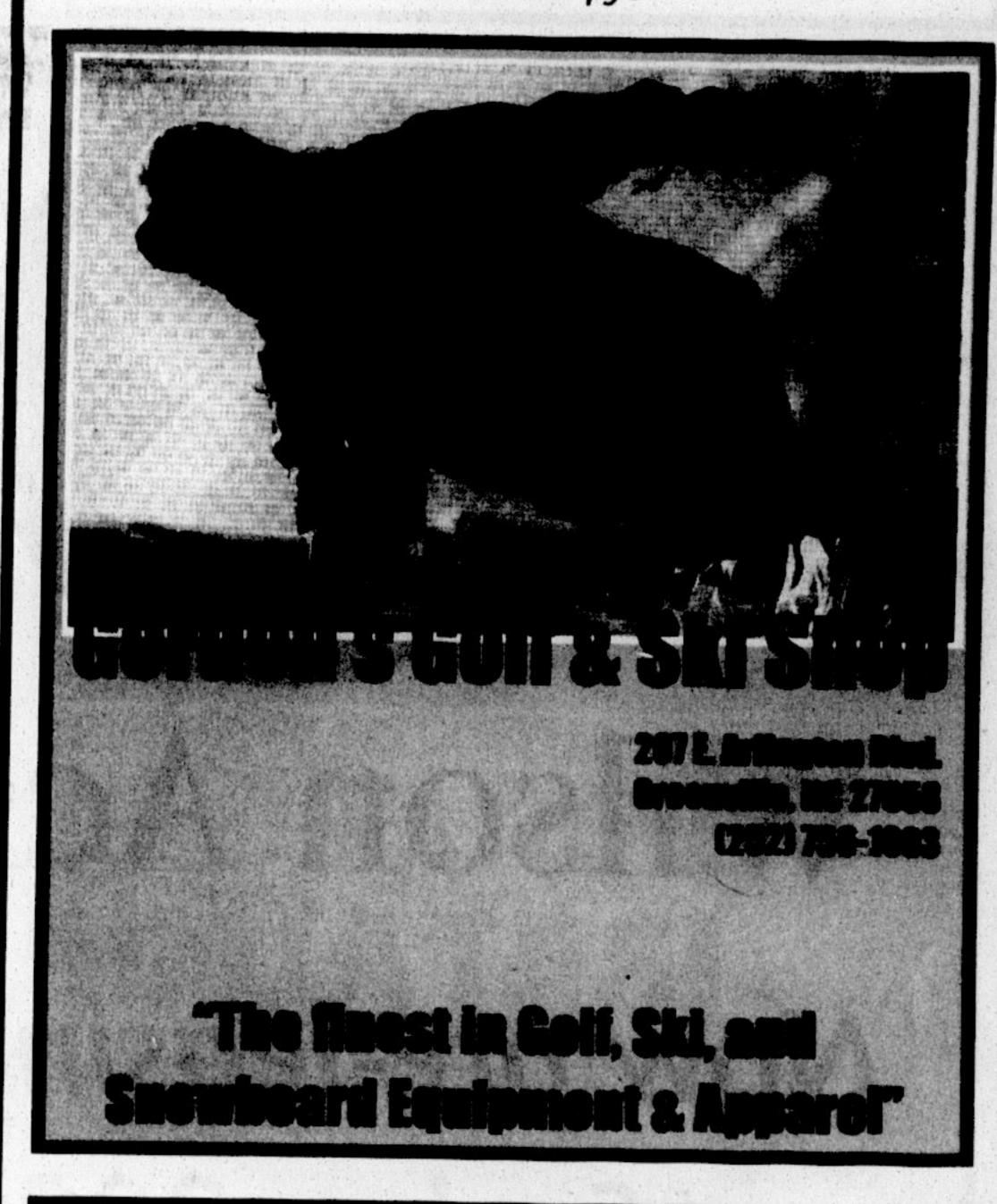
 Erik Kimrey, a football player at the University of South Carolina. "It's entertainment and that's what the students want to read about," she said. "We wanted the students to know about the interesting jobs some of the graduates are doing, and being on the cover of Playboy is a big deal."

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1988 that school administrators do have the discretion to determine when published material is inappropriate for students. Mike Hiestand, an attorney at the Student Press Law Center, in Arlington, Va., said reprinting the cover isn't illegal and agrees there is

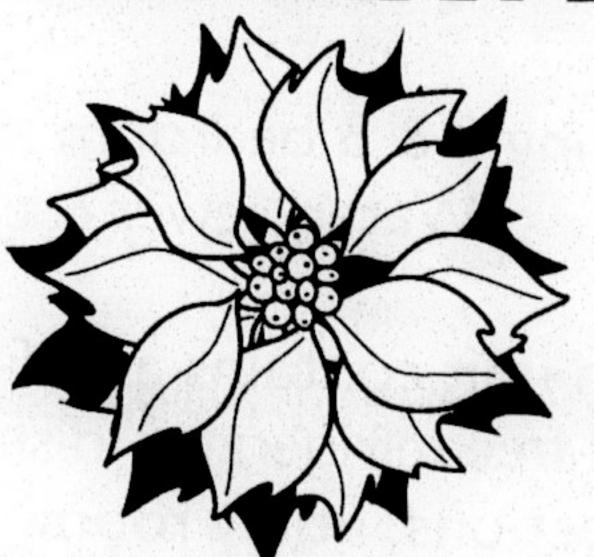
some news value in informing students of a graduate's success. "I don't think they did it in a sensational way," Hiestand said. "They heard the rumors, they checked it out and reported the news."

Melody Fitzwater, 16, a junior at Dutch Fork, said the photo wasn't offensive to her and the newspaper had every right to publish it.

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Students celebrate different holidays this season

Traditions stem from history, religion

Bridget Hemenway STAFF WRITER

Not all students will be waiting for Santa's arrival this December. Decorating Christmas trees and hanging stockings above the mantel is just one way students will be celebrating the holidays.

"I am Jewish and that means Hanukkah, not Christmas, for me," said junior Scott Shapiro.

Hanukkah, a Hebrew word meaning dedication, is celebrated for eight days in the Hebrew month of Kislev, which usually occurs in mid- to late-December.

"People forget that there are other traditions than just the usual Christmas tree and presents on Dec. 25," said senior Leah Cohen.

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"In my family we light and bless the candles of the menorah," Shapiro said. "We also exchange gifts every night. When we were younger we played dreidel but now we try to pass that tradition on to our younger relatives."

The African-American spiritual holiday of Kwanzaa was initiated

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the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). "Christmas is different for me because we celebrate Kwanzaa"

by Dr. Maulana Karenga on Dec.

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said Tameka Jones. "It is centered around the seven principles (Nguzo saba) with emphasis on the unity of our black families." Kwanzaa is based on Kawaida,

a theory that a social revolutionary change for black Americans can be achieved by the act of revealing and disclosing cultural heritage to individuals.

"My family defines Kwanzaa as a time to relate to the past in order to understand the present and deal with the future, said senior Kadeem Jackson. "It is not a religious celebration but a week of spiritual discovery."

In Islamic tradition, Muslims celebrate the holiday Ramadan, the month of fasting. This is a time



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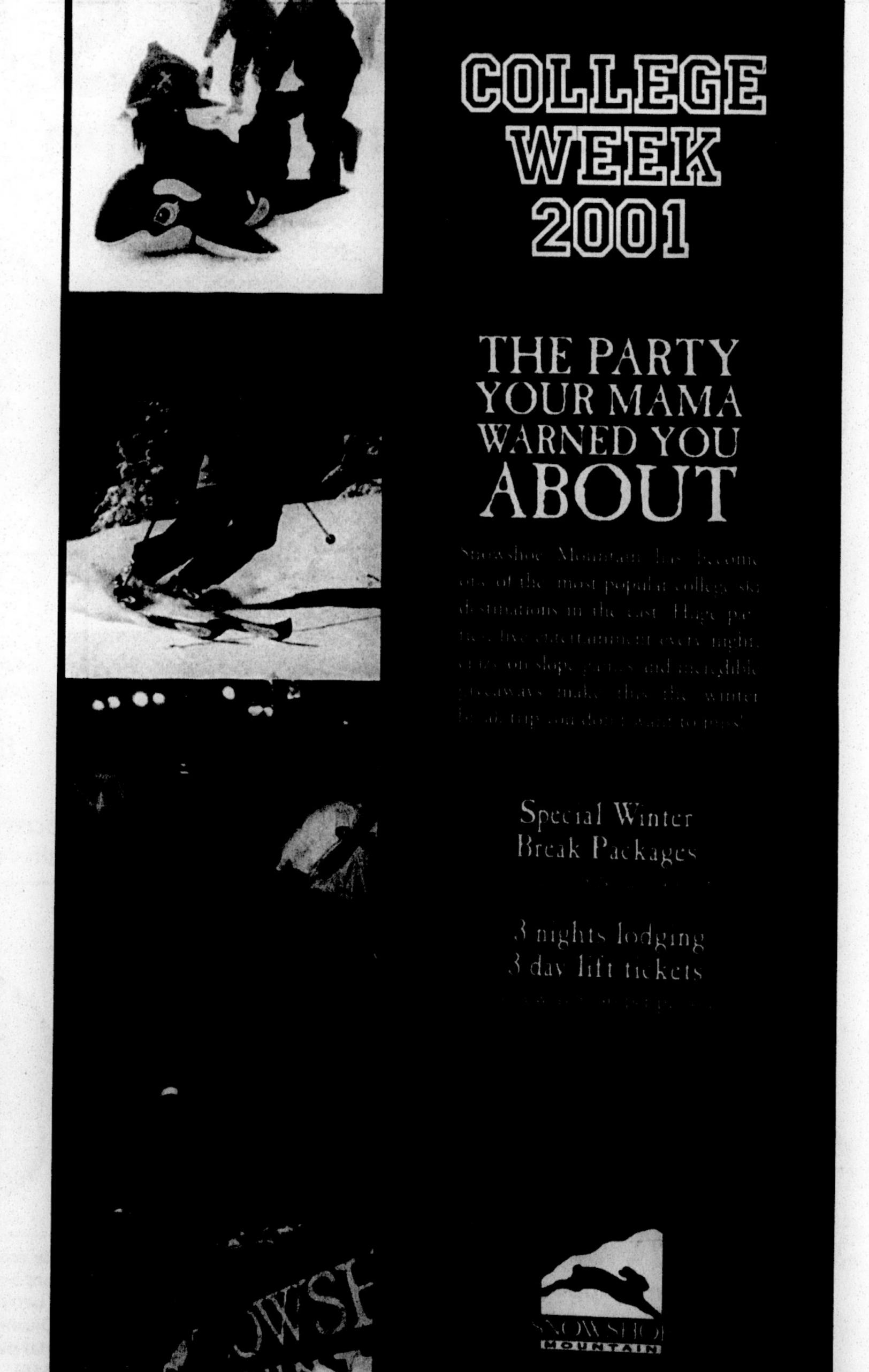
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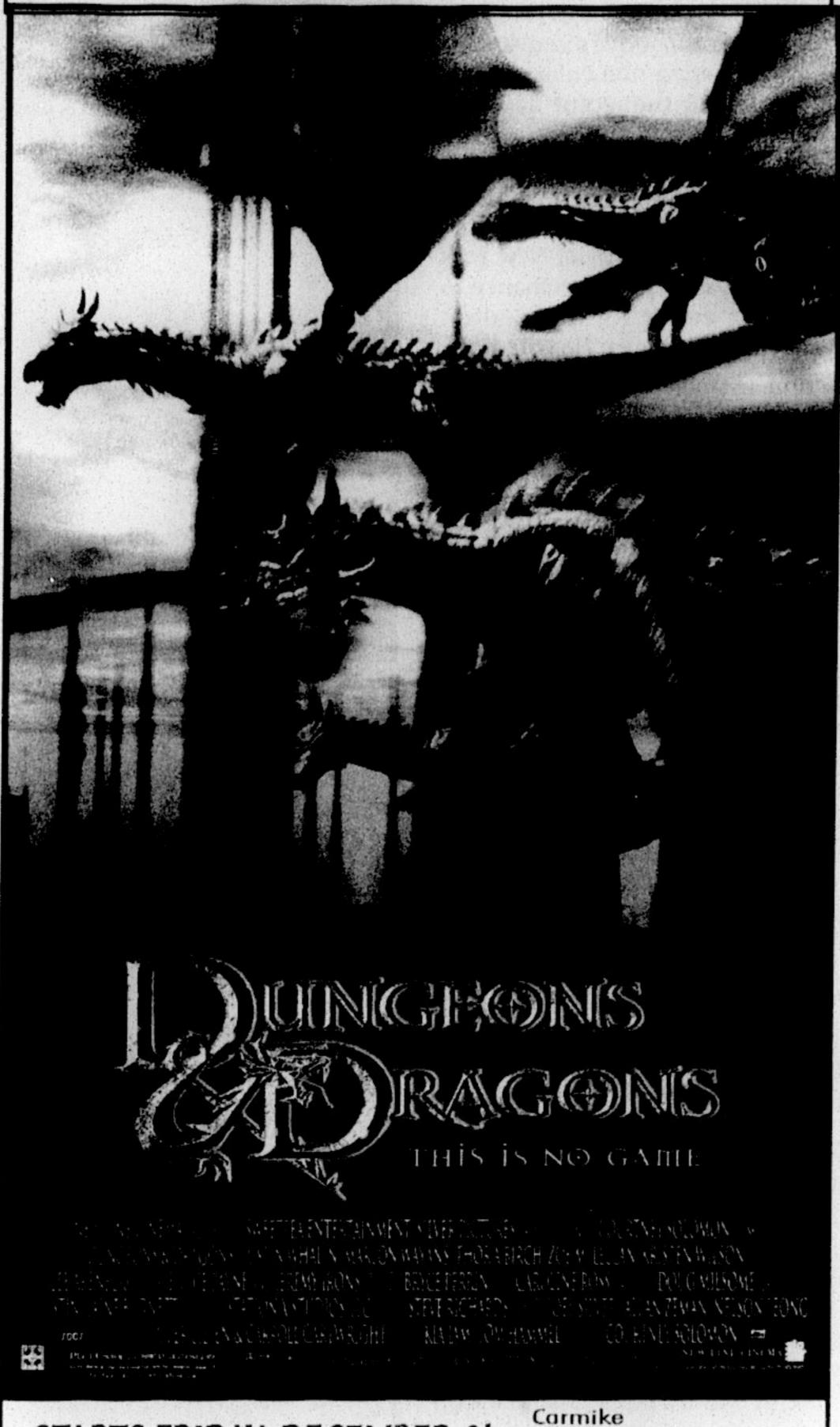
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"It wasn't like they inspired anyone to choose a career," she said. "It was just a harmless (article) for students to read about former Dutch Fork students."

Butch Barnhart, chairman of **Dutch Fork's School Improvement** Council, said he hasn't heard any concerns from parents about the photo.

"I haven't had one call about it and it wasn't mentioned at our meeting a few weeks ago," Barnhart

"It wasn't like they inspired anyone to choose a career,"

> **Melody Fitzwater** Junior, Dutch Fork

Bickley said she was stunned when her daughter showed her the photo. She said she was even more offended that the article didn't feature graduates in other careers.

"I didn't see anything highlighting a doctor, lawyer or teacher," she said.

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and it seems to have formed a bond between us."

"Each year on Christmas eve we follow my father's Italian tradition of eating fish for dinner," said freshman A.J. Reo. "We have 13 different types of fish and seafood, one for each disciple and of course one for Jesus."

Christmas has not always been a national holiday in the United States. Until the middle of the last century, Christmas was a religious holiday that was celebrated privately and with little merriment. As the United States expanded and changed in the 19th century, so did the nation's celebration of Christmas.

Beginning in the 1820s and for the next century, America was a nation of immigrants. Each ethnic group had their own distinct cultural traditions. It was the German immigrant, for example, who introduced the Christmas tree to America. A few German families in Pennsylvania are known to have decorated trees as early as 1820, but decorating evergreens was an unusual custom in this country well into the19th century.

Christmas celebrations vary greatly between regions of the United States Here are some ways people celebrate Christmas throughout America.

• In Pennsylvania, the Moravians build a landscape, called a putz, under the Christmas tree, while in the same state the *Germans* are given gifts by Belsnickle, who taps them with his switch if they have

• In Alaska, a star on a pole is taken from door to door, followed by Herod's men, who try to capture the star. Colonial doorways are often decorated with a pineapple, a symbol of hospitality

• In New Orleans, a huge ox is paraded around the streets decorated with holly and ribbons tied to its horns.

• In Arizona, the Mexican ritual called Las Posadas is kept up. This is a ritual procession and play representing the search of Mary and Joseph for a room at the inn. Families play the parts and visit each other's houses enacting and reenacting the drama.

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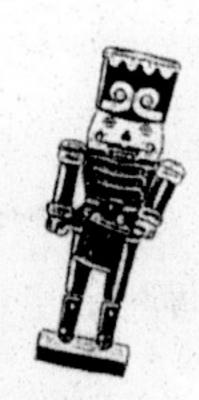
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Court sheds light on college textbook prices

TMS Campus-While most college students have always had the sneaking suspicion they're getting gouged on textbook prices, a recent New York Supreme Court ruling will help students at Hudson Valley Community College realize exactly how much they're paying over cost.

In a nine-page decision handed down last week, the court decided that the college must tell exactly how much it paid for textbooks sold in the school-run bookstore. The decision stems from a lawsuit filed by Anthony Gray, the editor in chief of the school newspaper, who

had requested the figures under New York's Freedom of Information Law. Gray intended to write an article addressing student complaints about alleged "price gouging" at the book store, Gray's lawyer in the suit Brian M. Culnan said.

Gray requested the figures in Dec. 1999, the college denied his request and Gray sued. As part of the decision, Hudson Valley Community College will also be required to pay Gray's legal fees.

The case's significance could reach beyond Hudson Valley Community College. Many colleges and universities have argued that releas-

ing booklists and invoices could put them at a competitive disadvantage with competing non-college bookstores. Under the recent decision, Hudson Valley is only required to release the book title and price it was purchased at.

Gray, who has since transferred to the State University of New York at Albany, won't get the chance to write the article for the Hudson Valley student paper. He will, however, likely write a similar article for the SUNY-Albany student newspaper, where he's heard similar student complaints about the bookstore, Culnan said.

Catholic colleges urged to reclaim identity

Providence, R.I. (Knight-Ridder Tribune)-A national Catholic organization has called on Roman Catholic colleges to adopt guidelines that would prohibit hiring openly gay staff, ensure that a majority of student-services employees are Catholic, and withhold financial support from college groups that depart from Catholic teachings.

The Cardinal Newman Society for the Preservation of Catholic Higher Education, an intercollegiate group that includes students, educators, and alumni, issued the guidelines at its annual conference in Washington, D.C., last month.

"The essential elements of a Catholic education have been discarded for the sake of a mistaken notion of academic freedom," the society wrote. "Catholic colleges have pursued a secular model to the point where their own Catholic identity and mission within the Church is no longer clear."

The society's guidelines were drafted in response to Ex corde Ecclesiae, a Vatican document that calls on Catholic schools to strengthen their religious iciety's statement goes hand-in-hand with a controversial document released last year by American bishops that proposes establishing a litmus test for Catholic theologians who teach at Catholic colleges.

The society also urges colleges to adopt a zerotolerance policy on illegal drugs and excessive drinking, forbid sex between unmarried students, prohibit the dispensing of birth control, and filter pornographic material from Internet access.

Locally, the recommendation that resonates most would prohibit the use of university money for causes

or organizations contrary to the church's teachings.

"While a free discussion of ideas should be encouraged," the society wrote, "organized activities, publications and postings . . . should not conflict with the university's Catholic educational mission."

In March, Providence College ignited a campuswide debate when it suspended and fined three students who posted pro-choice fliers.

The fliers pictured a marble statue of the Virgin Mary, alongside the message, "How's this for an immaculate conception? Keep abortion safe and

Critics say the guidelines, if adopted, could have chilling effect on academic freedom by limiting the open exchange of ideas essential to a liberal-arts "What kind of academic institution would this turn

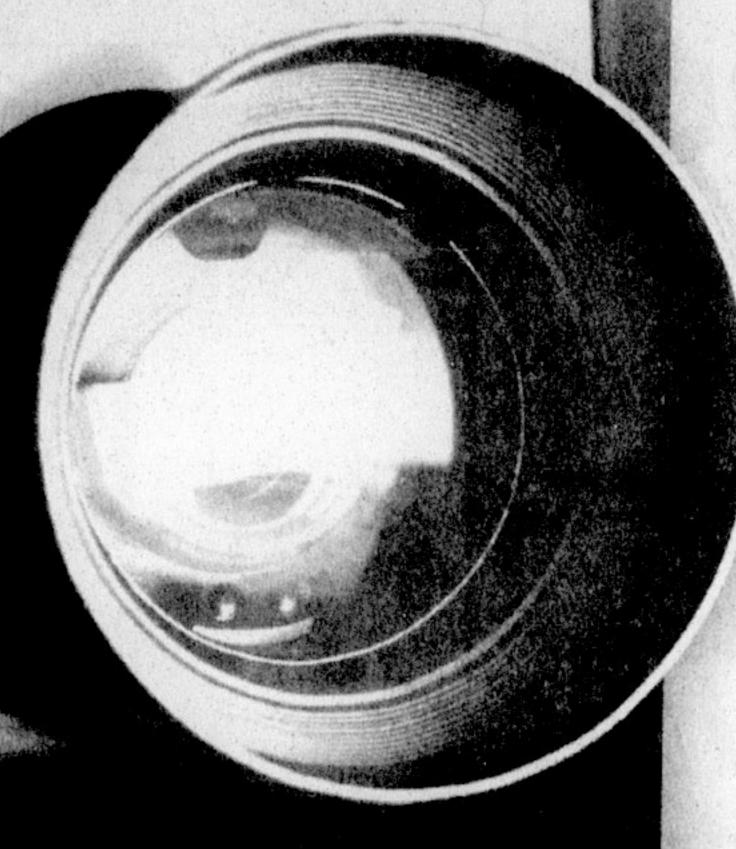
out to be?" said Janet Cooper Nelson, the chaplain of Brown University. "Who would want to study there? Who would want to teach there?"

More important, Nelson said these guidelines do not reflect the richness and diversity of Catholic colleges and universities.

"This is a very narrow and political definition of Catholicism," she said. "It is also a peculiarly American view of Catholicism. I cannot imagine that a Catholic university in Europe would make the sexual activity of students a central concern."

One of the most striking guidelines says Catholic colleges have the right to deny jobs to applicants whose public behavior openly violates its teachings.





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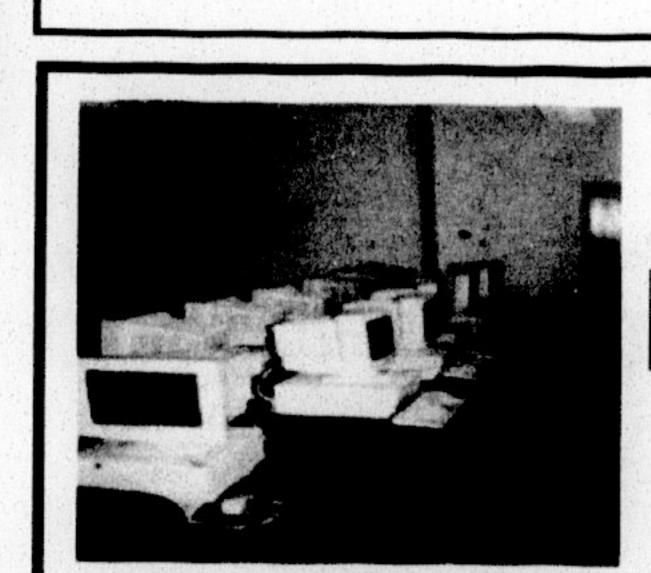
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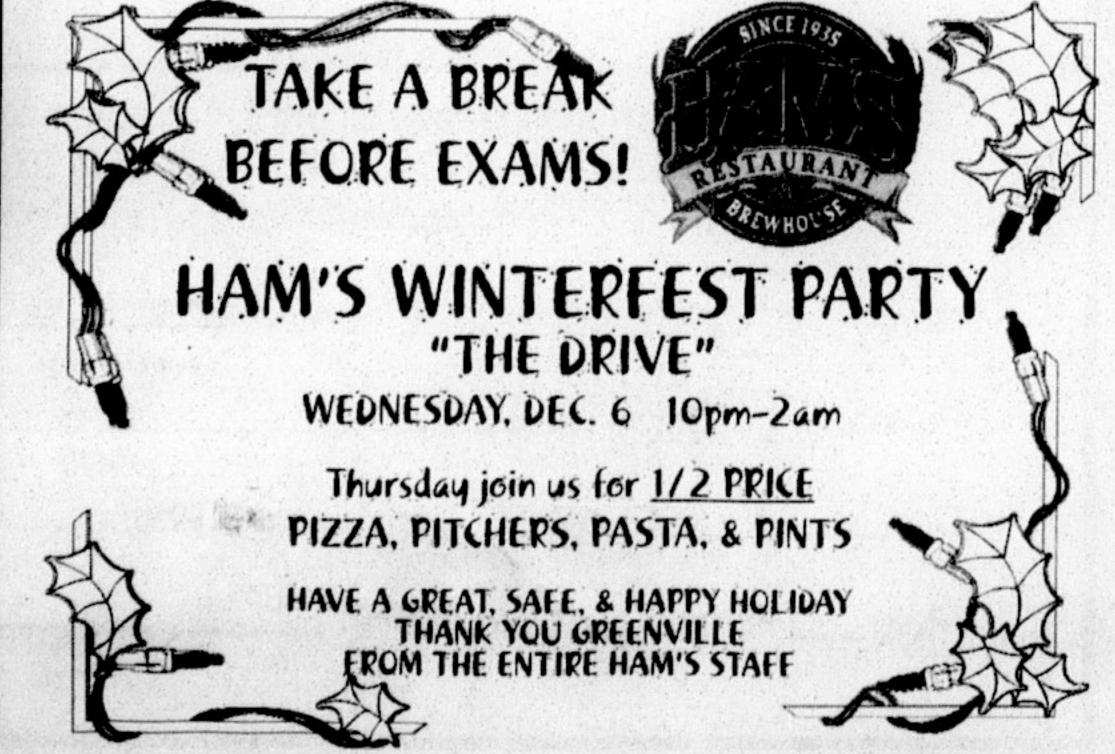
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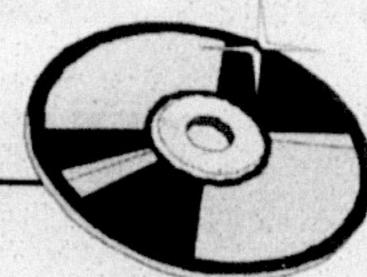
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From the Editor

You know what's a word people never use? "Rue."
You don't "rue" somebody.
You don't say, "I rue this pizza." You can rue the day, but that's about it. You can't even rue other periods of time, like years or minutes. "I rue the minute I saw you" just doesn't make sense.

I bring this up because it's my last Fountainhead ever and I feel it necessary to reveal this great mystery to the world. There are so many other mysteries still out there: why anyone listens to Third Eye Blind, why the cat continues to eat grass when he knows it makes him throw up, why nobody watched "Freaks and Geeks" even though everybody liked it. The tough questions, you know?

And if there's one thing Fountainhead does, it's answer the tough questions. This issue we ask: "So what is this music stuff all about?" We reached back into the distant past, all the

way to the 1940s when our grandparents were learning the Lindy Hop, and brought it up to our teenage years with the grunge craze we all remember so well. And we threw in hip-hop and disco for good measure.

I caught some grief over not including rock 'n' roll, so let me explain why there is no segment for the bubble gum era: I didn't feel like it. I have the power here, I decide what goes in this paper and you losers just have to deal with it.

Actually, since rock is behind everything, I felt it too expansive an era to cover. There's bubble gum rock of course, like Buddy Holly and the Crickets. Then there's heavy stuff, like Aerosmith, and hippie stuff like the Grateful Dead. Then there's rap core and ska core and emo and metal and about a million other classifications. There could be an entire Fountainhead just on derivatives of rock. Perhaps the future editor

will take on such a task.

Speaking of the future editor, we still don't have one. If you want to give the Fountainhead a try and you have some experience, please apply because otherwise all my hard work goes to waste.

This really is the best job at the paper. I get free passes to concerts and free CDs and I get to meet people like the girls from Playboy and the drummer from Cowboy Mouth and that really hot ECU bus driver. Ok, so that last one had nothing to do with my job, but talking about the Fountainhead is a great conversation opener.

So get out all your old CDs-you know, the Damn Yankees and Donna Summer and Grand Master Flash-and enjoy the issue. See you cats on the flipside.

Emily B. Little Fountainhead Editor

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"Spin the Black Circle": The history of records

Emily Little
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Everybody has a few of those old vinyl discs sitting in a box in the attic, somewhere beside the dusty turntable with the broken needle. But even though they've been all but forgotten by everyone except a few die-hard album collectors and Indie rock fans, once upon a time the record revolutionized the world of music.

Thomas Edison started the rush of inventions that led to the album's creation with his 19th century invention of the phonograph. According to the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA), Edison's invention used a stylus that moved through a groove in the record, then a cylinder wrapped in foil, and created sound through the vibrations that

followed.

"They looked like a toilet paper roll," said John Wall, who teaches materials course in ECU's industrial technology department.

The record's weak construction and harsh sound made it unappealing to consumers, so it never quite caught on.

It did, however, lead to other inventions: the gramophone, a similar design with a wax coating on the cylinder that produced better sound quality; the nickelodeon, an early version of the jukebox; and a wire recorder, which led to the invention of the radio.

It was German inventor Emile Berliner who made the better sounding, stronger shellac disks that replaced the wax cylinders.

According to Wall, shellac was a derivative of animal product that record makers covered with cardboard.

"All they were really looking for was something to hold the grooves," he said. "Shellac did it for a while."

In the Depression-era of the 1930s, according to RIAA, "long play records" (LPs)–78 rotations per minute (RPM) disks that could play three to five minutes of sound on each side–had a difficult time competing with the newly introduced radio programs. Even when the economy picked up in the early '40s, the need for war materials like shellac and acetate hampered the record industry.

Wall said the industry switched to vinyl not because it was stronger, but because it was cheaper.

According to RIAA, in 1948 Columbia Records introduced the first vinyl LP–a 12-inch, 33 and a third RPM disk that played for 20 minutes on each side. RCA followed with the invention of the plastic 7-inch 45 RPM record in 1949.

After the two formats competed for a few years, the record industry eventually settled into the concept of the 45 single and the LP as a collection of songs. Thus it has remained for half a century, despite the tapes, CDs and MP3s that have dominated the market in recent decades.

"It's never really died out," said Alex Smith, CD Alley employee and record collector.

Smith said the store sells tons of new and used records all the time, despite the availability of modern technology. Most popular musicians no longer

produce albums, but underground groups like Fugazi, Atari Teenage Riot and DJ Shadow, and some well-known rock groups like Pearl Jam still dedicate time to putting out vinyl copies of their latest releases.

"It's a more personal thing," he said. "A CD is kind of cold. With a record you get a kind of warm, motherly feel."

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Just like many broken turntables around the country, this one is worn by age. (photo by Laura Kowalski)

1948-Leo Fender invents
in first marketable solidbody electric guitar.

June 20, 1948-"Toast of the Town," the original name of the future "Ed Sullivan Show," makes its television debut. 50

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Lanuary 27, 1956-Elvis Presley releases "Heartbreak Hotel," which becomes his first number one hit.

January, 1957-Elvis
Presley is taped only
from the waist up on
the "Ed Sullivan Show."

 1957- "American Bandstand," hosted by Dick Clark, is picked up by ABC.

"The best dancers of the time would gather in the cat's corner of the Savoy every night to show off their new moves. These hepcats originated the acrobatic, aerial style of the Lindy Hop." REV. SCOTT WILKINSON, SWING DANCE TEACHER

201 Swing

Josh LePree Staff Writer

As the grandfather of the modern American dance craze, the swing dancing sensation that swept post World War I America lasted longer than any other popular dance trend.

According to Rev. Scott
Wilkinson, who teaches swing
lessons at the Wesley Foundation, the music referred to as
swing began in the 1920s as Big
Band-a catchy, upbeat sound
that revolved around horns.
The musical trend lent its name
and high-energy mentality to
the dance trend that followed.
Swing dance roots are in a
dance known as the Charleston, a popular dance of the
post World War I era.

After the Charleston ran its course, the Big Band movement demanded a more uptempo dance step. The principal creators of this new style of dance were the African-American dancers of the Savoy Ballroom in Harlem.

The dance steps there gained so much recognition that scores of suburban white kids would flock to the Savoy Ballroom to participate, despite racial segregation. As the Savoy became a place where anyone could have fun regardless of race, news reporters began discussing the new Savoy dance craze.

One night in 1927, a reporter asked a member of the crowd what the dance was called. Fresh in his memory was the recent newspaper headline declaring Charles Lindbergh's Atlantic crossing as "The Lindy Hop." His response stuck as the name of the dance. Swing dancing quickly evolved from this point, with swingers inventing new moves nightly.

"The best dancers of the time would gather in the cat's corner of the Savoy every night to show off their new moves," Wilkinson said. "These hepcats originated the acrobatic, aerial style of the Lindy Hop."

Swing peaked in popularity during the 1940s, when World War II created a need for a release. In many parts of Naziheld Europe, swing dancing was outlawed and Big Band music groups started their own underground movement. The '90s film Swing Kids features some of the swingers who risked their lives just to dance.

The best of the hepcats organized themselves under the guidance of Frankie Manning, originator of aerial moves, and formed a troupe of Lindy Hoppers to accompany touring Big Bands that performed for large audiences throughout the world. The Lindy Hop soon spread across the country, as it took on names such as the Jitterbug, and later evolved into the shag.

"Swing dancing is an original and fun way to let loose and express yourself," said Cathy Knorr, an ECU student who took swing dance lessons from Wilkinson.

In the early 1950s, Big
Band music dwindled in
popularity. It seemed time
for a new trend in American music. As Elvis Presley
debuted on the charts the
end of the swing era
neared. Big Band music was
quickly replaced by small
bands of musicians playing
the newly popular rock 'n'
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1959-Berry Gordy founds Motown Records.

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Feb. 7, 1964-The Beatles arrive in America.

 August, 1969-Woodstock music festival is held in Bethel, New York. Language 1974-ABBA wins Eurovision song contest with "Waterloo."

Night Fever" is released to theaters with a soundtrack by the BeeGees

70s DISCO

Josh LePree STAFF WRITER

As the popular rhythm and blues and soul music of the 1960s was infused with funkier breaks and uptempo beats, it spawned the great musical movement known as disco. Disco also included an entire subculture of fashion, music, dance and night-life.

According to Disco Roots, a group dedicated to the history of disco, the movement can be traced back to the underground dance clubs of the early 1970s where a master of ceremonies played a blend of funk,

soul and jazz to huge crowds of energetic dancers. These allnight dances, with their abundant drug use and sex, existed for the sole purpose of giving people a good time.

"America partied in the '70s," said WZMB Music Director William Keith. "You've got to understand, this was post-Vietnam, post-civil rights. African-Americans had rights, women had rights. Everybody partied."

According to Disco Roots, the clubs, known as discos, were the most pure form of disco dance culture in the early 1970s. Discos became increasingly infiltrated with pop influences in the following years. The most notorious example of

the disco pop culture was the 1976 film Saturday Night Fever.
This film, along with its soundtrack album by the BeeGees and hoards of commercial merchandise, propelled the disco movement into the spotlight of American cul-

ture. In the years that followed, disco dance, music and culture continued to prosper.

"People were going to classes to learn how to dance disco," Keith said. "That's how mainstream it got."

Disco paved the way for the sexually-oriented pop music



culture of today. The disco culture defined promiscuity. Its constant sexual innuendo broke through the taboo barrier which popular music had previously maintained.

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Studio 54: the legendary party

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Island" dance club for 1970s America. Beautiful and interesting people as far as the eye could see danced all night between constant drug hits and multiple sex partners, pushing the limits with no thought for the consequences. And they could only get in if Steve Rubell said so.

According to Anthony Haden-Guest's "The Last Party: Studio 54, Disco and the Culture of the Night,"
Rubell and business partner Ian Schrager opened the club at 254 W 54th St. in New York City in April of 1977. While Schrager took care of the paperwork, Rubell darted from one side of his party to the other, making certain everyone was having a good time.

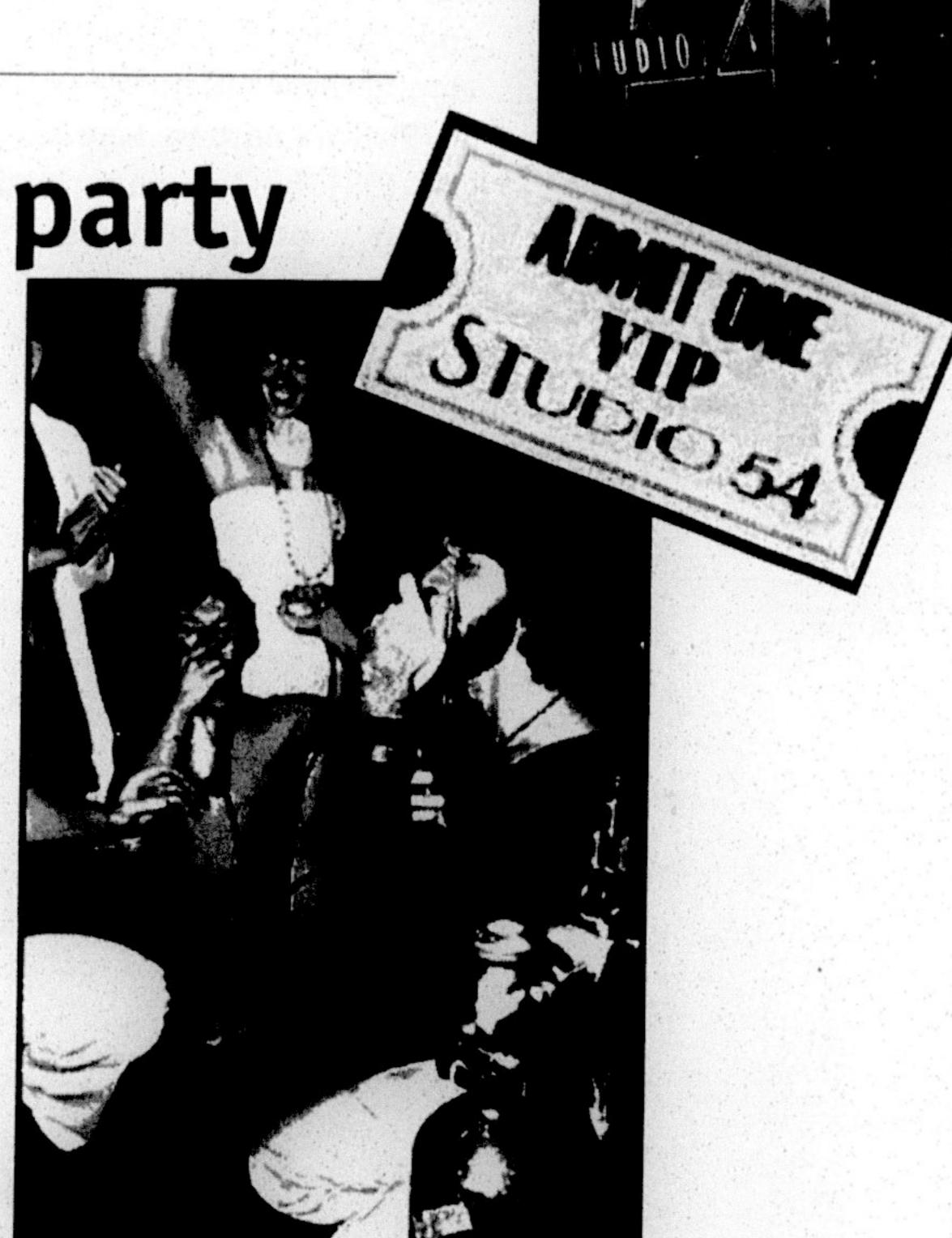
Rubell's main objective was to create the perfect mix of "beautiful people" every night, selecting acceptable individuals from the crowd of hopefuls packed together outside the door and leaving the "gray people" behind.

Although the place was packed with celebrities, Rubell judged the famous with the same standards he used on everyone else. He turned Cher away at the door over indignant protests.

"I know who you are," he said when she reminded him of her celebrity status.

The film 54, starring Ryan Philippe and Neve Campbell, recreated the party for those who never saw the inside of the

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April, 1977-Studio 54 opens for business.

1980

March, 1981-First video, "Video Killed the Radio Star," airs on MTV. 1982-Michael Jackson releases "Thriller."

1984 - Madonna's "Virgin Tour" kicks off, creating controversy among the nation's parents.



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KEVIN ARMSTRONG

HIP-HOP SHOW, WZMB

4805 Hip-hop

Julie Pollard
STAFF WRITER

Run DMC, Public Enemy, N.W.A., Ice-T, Grandmaster flash–all of these artists played a huge role in the history of hip-hop, a musical movement that began with rap and quickly became a powerful subculture.

According to *Vibe* magazine, hip-hop originated in the South Bronx, N.Y. in the mid-1970s with inner-city black youth. In the early 1980s, hip-hop made its way into the American mainstream. "Rapper's Delight" by Sugar Hill Records set off the whole hip-hop scene.

Then came Curtis Walker. He signed with Mercury Records and sold over 600,000 copies around the world in November 1979 with *Christmas Rappin*.

In 1981, hip-hop music made its way across the nation to the West Coast, and soon L.A. became the place to be. Clubs were filled to the max and

tons of records were sold. Hiphop then started to combine R&B, funk and electronic beats, which created a sound like no other.

"Hip-hop is like a whole culture," said Kevin Armstrong, the voice of the hip-hop show on WZMB. "It's a different way of dancing, it's graffitti, it's a way of living."

Hip-hop can be expressed in two ways: MCing and DJing. A rapper who performs and writes the words to their music is called the master of ceremonies (MC). A DJ creates music by combining different pieces of previously recorded material. All a DJ needs is a turntable and a record and they can create a new sound.

Graffiti is also sometimes called tagging. Tag is slang for the alter-ego of the graffiti artist. It is a form of expression created nearly 30 years ago by urban youth who painted on walls, overpasses and anything else they could spray paint.

In the 1970s, groups such as

NOGA (Nation of Graffiti Artists) and UGA (United Graffiti Artists) set up workshops where children were given the chance to do artwork and paint. These workshops caught the public's attention, gaining financial support.

Break dancing may seem like an old school dance, but it remains popular today. It is also called breakin' or b-boying. It is an acrobatic form of dancing. It is filled with spins and uses the entire body. Walker was one of the first b-boys to work under a major label.

Many movies of the 1980s featured this dance; this heightened the popularity of break dancing. For instance, the movie *Wild Style*, produced in 1981 by Charlie Ahearn, shows the b-boy and graffiti scene that was taking place in South Bronx.

By the late 1980's, pop culture and hip-hop music crossed paths to become more mainstream.

"A lot of it had to do with MTV starting out," Armstrong said. "It reached a lot of people. It was kind of rebellious and youth started to pick up on it."

MTV gave publicity not only to the music, but to the whole hip-hop culture. Shows like "Yo, MTV Raps!" exposed the latest fashion. In the early '90s, the all-girl group TLC made a huge fashion statement to the American public. Their baggy jeans, tennis shoes, baseball hats worn backwards and bright colors were anything

but the innocent, sweet girl look.

According to Vibe, the look has since undergone major changes, but the practicality of tough, comfortable street wear has stuck.

The designers Cross
Colours and Karl Kani
spread the hip-hop style of
baggy jeans. Today, baggy
pants remain popular for
all sorts of styles. Skaters
wear them. Rappers wear
them. R&B artists wear
them.

Tommy Hilfiger has established his company as the number one hip-hop designer in the United States. They often use hip-hop celebrities to model the Hilfiger line.

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According to Vibe, Gangsta Rap and Ghetto Fabulous are the most popular types of hip-hop today. This music includes performers such as Nelly, Jay-Z, Snoop Doggy Dogg, Dr. Dre and Puff Daddy. The scene is split into two camps: West Coast—Tupac Shakur, Eazy-E, Ice Cube and DJ Quik—and East Coast—Notorious B.I.G, Total, 112 and Faith Evans.

"Now it's kind of like pop music," Armstrong said. "There's the underground hip-hop and the mainstream hip-hop ... A lot of it's really commercial."

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LL Cool J has always been one of the major trendsetters in both hip-hop music and culture. (file photo)

2000

1984-Musicians come together to record "We Are the World" for Ethiopian famine.

1986–Studio 54 closes.

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July 1990-Judas Priest sues for allegedly hiding subliminal messages in recorded songs.

April 5, 1994-Kurt Cobain, lead singer for the grunge band Nirvana, commits suicide.

June 2000-Tibetan Freedom Concert held in Washington, D.C.

Julie Pollard STAFF WRITER

The grunge scene began in Seattle, Wash. According to "Hype," a documentary that covered the rise and fall of the grunge movement, this cold and rainy land was filled with teenagers looking for ways to vent their frustration with the world. They felt caught between the idealistic world their parents tried to create and the materialistic world of the '80s, so they put together garage bands and screamed out their problems, and somewhere, some record executive smelled potential.

"When the weather's crappy, you don't want to go outside," said record producer and "Godfather of grunge" Jack Endino. "It's a very logical thing to want to go down into your basement and make noise to take out your frustration."

Grunge started out with a mix between hesher and punk styles. Heshers mainly listen to heavy metal music. They traditionally wear leather jackets, acidwashed pants and have the long hair.

Punks wear ripped clothing and leather, and dye and spike their hair in various colors.

The hesher crowd is

thought to be tough, while the punk crowd tends to work for social change. The combination resulted in loud guitars, dissident chords and angry, screaming vocals.

According to "Hype," Seattle was a microcosm of the music industry, where all bands knew each other and often shared venues because all major musicians of the time would not travel so far north to play. The rest of the country had no idea what was in store.

"Nobody was too worried about success because we were living in Seattle," Endino said.

Then Sub-Pop Records, a company that started out as a fanzine with cassette compilations, invited an English journalist over to hear the sound. The article that followed stirred up great interest in Europe, accompanied by mild success here in the United States.

"Everything was just buzzing with activity," said Dawn Anderson, editor of Seattle's Backlash magazine.

Nirvana hit the scene and cleaned up the grunge sound, making it more radio-friendly while maintaining the angry, dissident feel that appealed to the nation's embittered youth. The band's second release, "Nevermind," went to No. 1 on the Billboard chart, and their song "Smells Like Teen Spirit" became the anthem of Generation X.

Producers began to look into Seattle for other bands with

the same potential, and discovered bands like Alice in Chains, Hole, Pearl Jam and Mudhoney. The search then expanded beyond Washington state, and bands like Stone Temple Pilots and Smashing Pumpkins took advantage of the musical climate to get attention.

Teens all over the country wore flannel shirts and long johns-the Seattle native's daily clothing. Even expensive designers tore up jeans and sold stocking caps to keep up with the grunge-wear trend.

The grunge craze bled over into film in the movie Singles, a Cameron Crowe production which took place in Seattle and featured several local bands on the soundtrack, including Pearl Jam, whose members made their acting debut as members of Matt Dillon's band.

On April 12, 1994, Nirvana lead singer Kurt Cobain committed suicide. For many, just as Nirvana's music had opened up the Seattle music scene, Cobain's death and the subsequent breakup of the band signaled its end. Even though grunge is still popular today under the alternative name, since the late '90s it has faded into a handful of bands like Pearl Jam and Mudhoney, that now experiment with other sounds.

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Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder crowd surfs at Moore Theater in Seattle in 1992. (photo by Lance Mercer, Pearl Jam, place/date)



Vedder hangs from the scaffolding at a 1993 Seattle show packed with excited grunge fans. (photo by Charles Peterson, Pearl Jam, place/date)

Local Band Profile:

Far Too Jones

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Far Too Jones is not exactly your usual local, unsigned band, struggling to make its way up the music industry ladder.
They've played with Seven Mary Three, Live, Edwin McCain, Sheryl Crowe and dozens of other well-known acts.

The band is a modern incarnation of solid rock 'n' roll complete with memorable hooks, revved-up guitars and smooth, energetic vocals. The clean, catchy sound has attracted dedicated fans who cram as close as they can to the stage and interact with the band as they perform.

These are happy people, which suits singer Chris Spruill just fine.

"I just want them to have a good time," Spruill said. "We're not really trying to make any sweeping social statement."

But that doesn't mean Far Too Jones songs have empty lyrics. "Close to You," a song off the new album, Shame & Her Sister uses wistful vocals and simple, slow guitar riffs to complement the words: "I see myself as a hand me down, all broken in."

Although the band members have reached that place in the music industry where they can support themselves from show profits, they don't feel ready to plateau.

"There is no 'there,'" Spruill said. "If you're not moving up you're moving back."

The hardest part of music as a career choice, he says, is the uncertainty. But he also says it's worth the opportunity to make records and play packed venues.

They used to be signed with Mammoth Records, but the 7-year-old Chapel Hill band has recently come back to its roots and self-produced a new album.

Because of a management shake-up at their old label, Far Too Jones has not produced an album in two years. Now that they've produced one on their own label, the band says they



Bassist Allan Callahan, Guitarist Dave Dicke, and lead vocalist Chris Spruill of Far Too Jones on stage at their CD release party at the Attic on Nov. 18. Behind them is drummer Scott McConnell, and on the far end is guitarist Needham Park. (photo by Laura Kowalski)

like it much better.

"When you sign a major record deal, you're basically signing away 80 percent of your assets," Spruill said.

With a self-produced record, the band keeps a larger percentage of the profits, which gives them more freedom to play smaller, longer shows. And that makes their fans exceedingly happy.

Far Too Jones will play next on Dec. 30 at Ziggy's by the Sea in Atlantic Beach, NC and Dec. 31 at House of Blues in Myrtle Beach, SC.

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Guitarist Needham Park plays for the fans at the edge of the stage. (photo by Laura Kowalski)

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club's walls.

Inside the club, Donna Summer and Sister Sledge pounded out their best disco tunes from the stage. In front of them stretched a wave of beautiful dancing bodies, all drugged out on coke and heroine and anything else they could buy from the bartender that served them drink after potent drink.

The mirror ball spun overintertwined couples who
just met, using the thumping disco rhythm to pace
their own seductive dance.
All inhibitions were left at
the door.

In December 1979, the

IRS raided Studio 54. A month later, Rubell and Schrager were sentenced to three-and-a-half years in prison for tax evasion.

The party did not end right away; Studio 54 stayed open until 1986. But this time around it was missing most of the promiscuity and massive drug use that had made it such a haven from the outside world in the '70s. Rubell died in 1989 of hepatitis and septic shock, and Schrager currently runs a hotel that critics have dubbed an updated version of Studio 54.

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have a fresh grasp on American culture. Many modern swing bands have achieved recent success with chart-topping singles. Bands such as the Brian Setzer Orchestra, the Squirrel Nut Zippers and the Cherry Poppin' Daddies have paved the way for other swing bands

to cross over to the realm of pop music.

Along with the resurgence of swing music, the swing dancing movement undoubtedly enjoys wide-scale popularity. Examples include GAP clothing commercials and a recent Super Bowl halftime

show featuring 100 swing dancers.

"The recent craze in swing dance can be attributed to Frankie Manning, who has traveled around the world teaching workshops of thousands of people." Wilkinson said.

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Disco FROM PAGE 5

Disco music as a cultural trend was not destined to last as long as its lingering influences. The disco days were overshadowed at the turn of the decade, when the '80s new wave movement took hold of American pop music.

The wide-range of techno and house music played at shows and clubs today includes numerous samples and beats from disco music. Artists like Cher and Madonna have recently topped the charts with their disco-infused singles.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CHECK OUT THE DISCO ROOTS' WEB SITE, WWW.ALAD26.FORCE9.CO.UK/INDEX.HTML.

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Movie Review: The 6th Day



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What can I say about *The* 6th Day except it was terribly confusing? No movie should ever make audience membersthink so much that they get a headache and walk away wondering what burning question the movie should have answered in the end. That is how I felt walking away from the movie theatre Saturday night along with many of my fellow audience members.

Needless to say, the acting in the movie was mediocre. Arnold Schwarzenegger played his usual role with a heavy accent and recited lines. The little parts other actors played helped him out a little. Some lines were incredibly corny like the "I'll be back line" from *Termina*-

tor. Of course, everyone knows that line so it achieved its popularity purpose, but there is a such thing as too corny.

Essentially, Adam Gibson, played by Schwarzenegger, is a pilot who undergoes a test that all pilots must undergo to prove that they are capable of performing their jobs. But while he undergoes this supposedly innocent test, he is cloned through a retinal scan and finger-prick.

From this point on, the movie is captivating but also produces sheer confusion. You don't realize just how confused you have been throughout the movie until the end when you think "What? I can't believe they ended the movie that way!"

The movie does offer some exciting, but unrealistic, aspects of what may possibly be in store for the future. The idea of REPET, which is an open organization allowing the cloning of a family's loved pets in the event of their death is one example.

The animal must be recently deceased so its tissues are fresh.

The family members won't be able to tell the REPET animal is not their original animal because it acts and looks the exact same as the original animal. Come on, have you seen Man's Best Friend or any of those other movies where engineered dogs go insane? You know it's bound to happen sometime.

Another unbelievable element about this movie is the idea of the extremely advanced technology the movie entails of the future. Yes, every new day brings new technology, but not to this extent. For example, Sim Pals, which are dolls that act like real people, appear in the movie.

Gibson's daughter is given one of the doll. But the doll is so eerie that she has the ability to give moviegoers goosebumps whenever she appears on screen. If my parents gave me a doll looking like a Sim



Arnie gets cloned in "The 6th Day." (file photo)

Pal when I was a child or even now, I would be so scared I wouldn't know what to do. The Sim Pal doll has facial muscles, turns her head, moves her eyes and responds accordingly when she is addressed. She also feels pain just like normal people.

In truth, she reminds me of Chucky from Child's Play You remember the little crazy, redhaired doll that spooked you out when he came to life. However, she, just like Chucky, provides various instances of comic relief throughout the movie which may be one reason to see the movie in itself.

Despite all that, the idea behind the entire movie is unrealistic. Human cloning? Come on.... Can you imagine

there being two or three of you running around taking advantage of your family and your life? I don't think so. Plus if you found out that you were the actual clone and not the other person, would you so readily give up your whole life?

The overall point of this flick is to teach people not to entertain the thought of having something or someone you love cloned. Cloning is not the answer. If it were, we'd totally be disrupting the life and death cycle. Not to mention, there would be total confusion and chaos as Adam Gibson and his clone found out in *The 6th Day*.

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CD Review: Sade "Lovers Rock"

Gary Redding

Sade Adu is a born seductress. This Nigerian-born, English-bred priestess burns her way through your heart, your soul and your sexuality with her sweet existential singing.

The woman has got it goin' on in her new album release, Lovers Rock.

For eight long years this

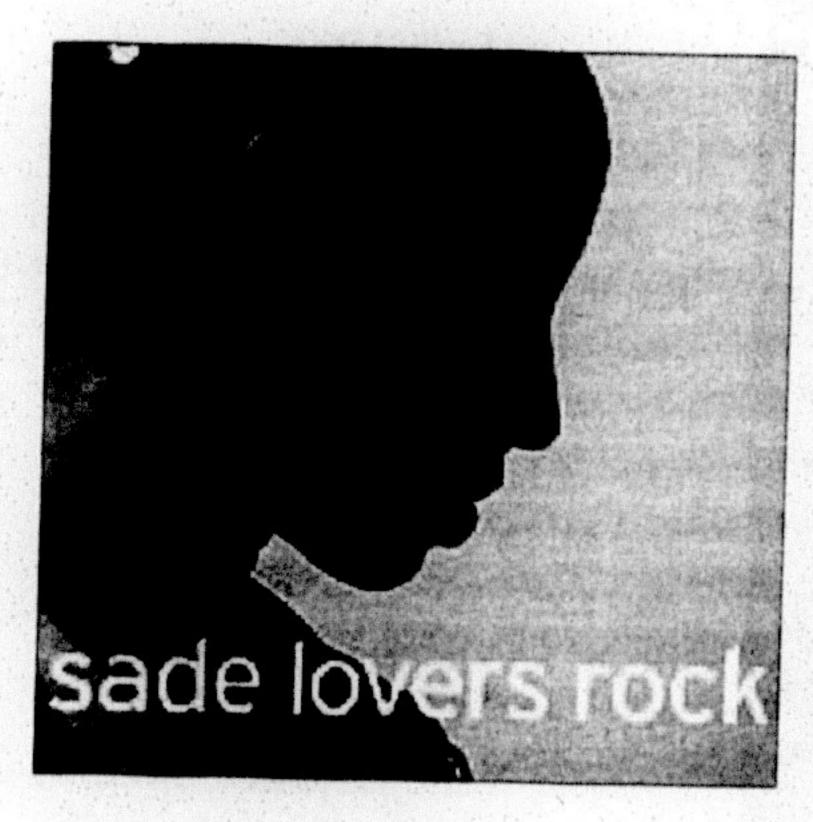
soft musical goddess has punished her dedicated, loyal followers with her self-imposed reprieve from recording. Now the woman is back to impress, and all is forgiven, your Highness.

"You think I'd leave your side baby / You know me better than that / You think I'd leave you down when you're down on your knees / I wouldn't do that," she sings in "By Your Side," her new single.

The title track is every bit as exciting. The soft, sweet reggae

beat and the soul-jazz melody sets the mood and provides the album with a steady sound. With the sounds of soft wailing guitars, Sade delivers every single word with the "promise" of a serious "diamond girl."

The best song on Lovers
Rock is the raggae-tinged, "Slave
Song." Sade courageously and
thoughtfully addresses a painful legacy: "I see them gathered
on the shore / I turned to
look once more / And he who
knows me not / Takes me to the
belly of darkness."



R&B crooner Sade is back after taking an eight-year hiatus with "Lovers Rock." (file photo)

Sade said in a recent VH1 interview that "love is not only a long standing passion ... but for me, love is mysterious, it's like death, it's like birth. It's only love that gets you through."

Love, loyalty and fidelity are

most often the passionate theme for the music of this wonderful artist.

And that's what Lovers Rock is all about.

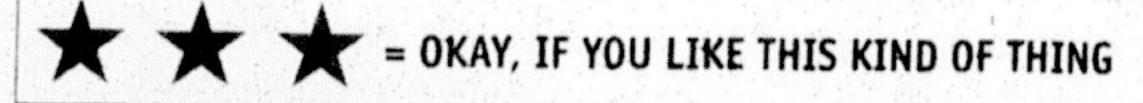
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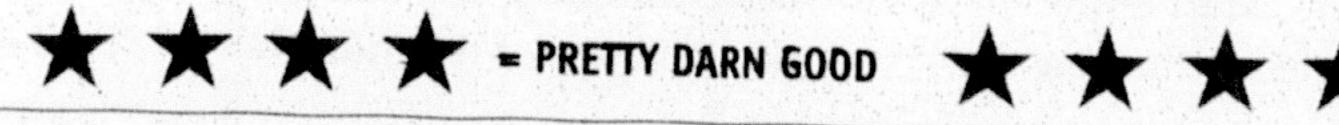
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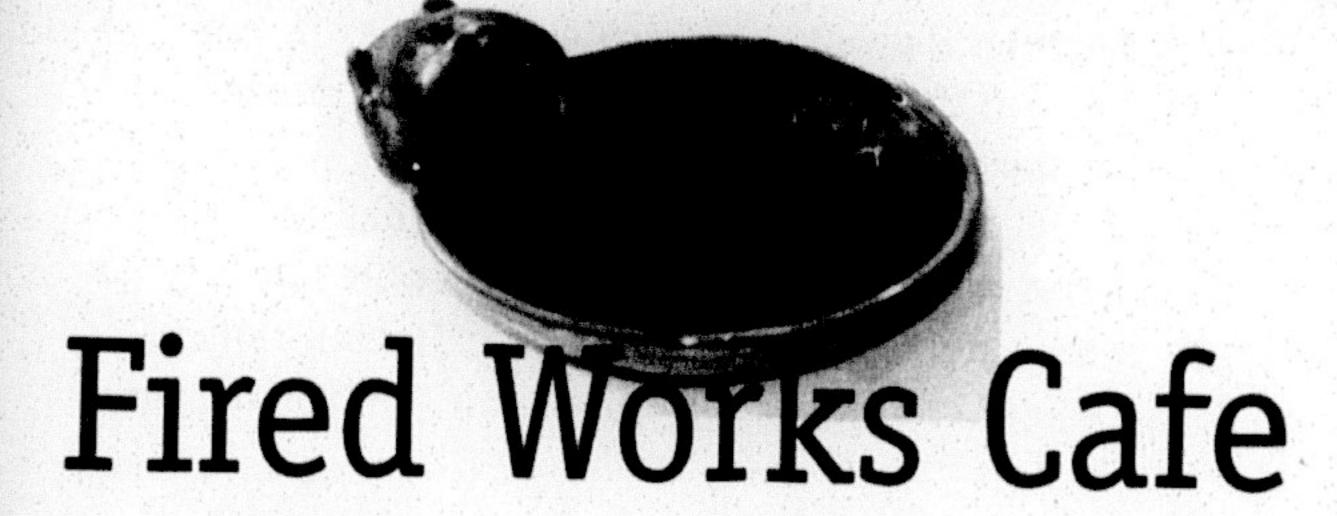








Shiny happy people painting pots. There must have been a zillion people at this place, but aside from the drunk yuppies behind us, everybody was really tranquil. (photo by John Stowe)



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Do you remember how much fun it was to make little presents for your mom at summer camp? You'd make some kind of weird ornament out of twigs and safety pins or something, and she'd say, "Oh, it's so beautiful!" and hang it right at the very least visible part of the tree. Or, if she's like my mom, she still hangs it right where visitors couldn't fail to spot the hideous thing as soon as they walk in the door.

The point is, every mother loves it when their kids make them stuff.

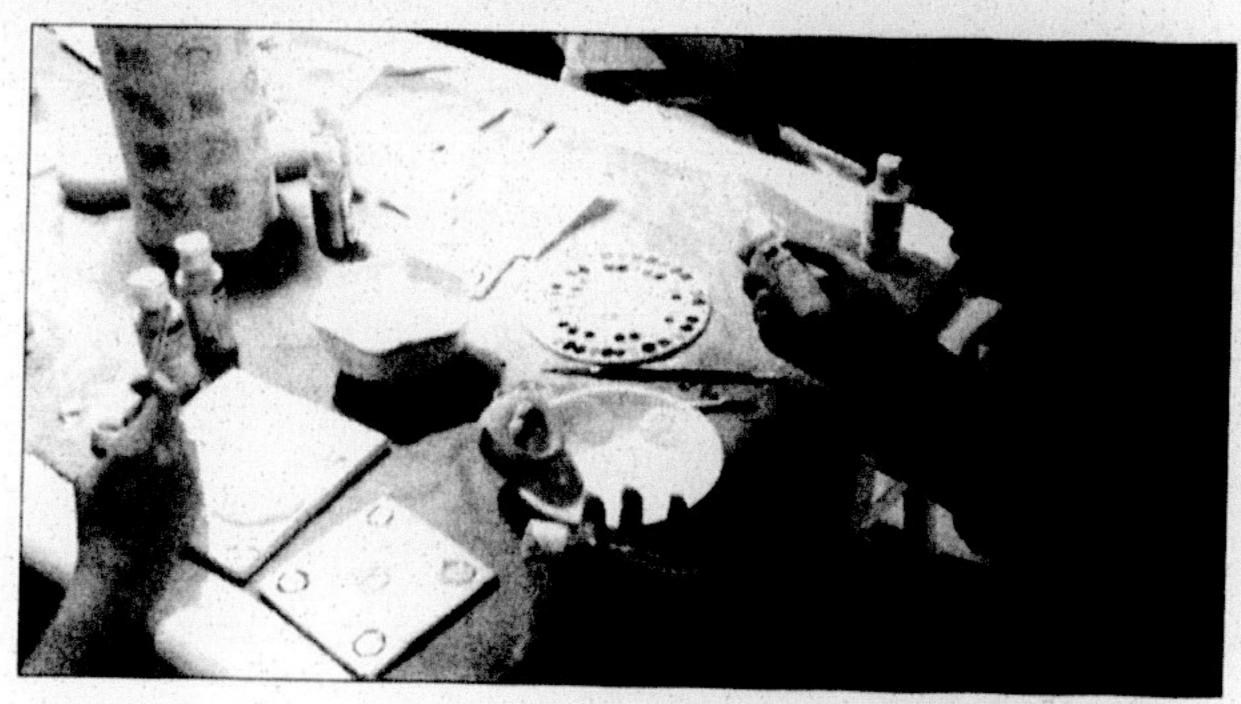
So, last week a friend and I went to Fired Works Cafe on Smythewyck Drive. It's not a real cafe–I mean, they do have coffee, but it's just a pot in the corner beside a handful of cookies. Most of the space is dedicated to housing the

shelves of pottery you get to paint.

Fired Works buys different types of pots that you can paint. They put your painted work in the big furnace and they come out looking all shiny and professional. They have baking dishes, coffee mugs, knickknacks and all kinds of . other good stuff.

Naturally, with Christmas coming soon, I thought of my grandmother. She has like, 10 cats and she loves cute little things I make, so I decided to paint her a little milk bowl that looked like a cat was holding it.

Since I can't color inside the lines, this was a wise choice for a project because it basically consisted of painting the outside of the bowl lavender and the inside blue. I also added some gray for the little fella's paws, even though my friend kept reminding me that cat paws are pink. I reminded her



Gray or blue? This was the most important decision I made all night, so I had to ponder carefully. I went with the blue, but gave the kitty cat gray paws to make the gray paint feel better. (photo by John Stowe)

that since my cat was lavender and blue to begin with, I did not think my grandmother would harp too much on the inaccuracy of a cat with gray paws.

It was \$9 to sit at a table and paint, but supplies are provided and you can paint for as long as you like. You pay for the piece itself as a separate item. My cat bowl cost \$13.50-a total of \$22.50 for my grandmother's Christmas presentand with the added personal touch that she will think is so adorable.

But it wasn't just present potential that made Fired Works so interesting. The place was packed when we went, even though the staff kept telling us it is never like that, so we got to sit at a table with two really cool girls we'd never met before. We ended up spending an hour there, just painting our pottery and talking about random things. It was relaxing even though the shop was busy.

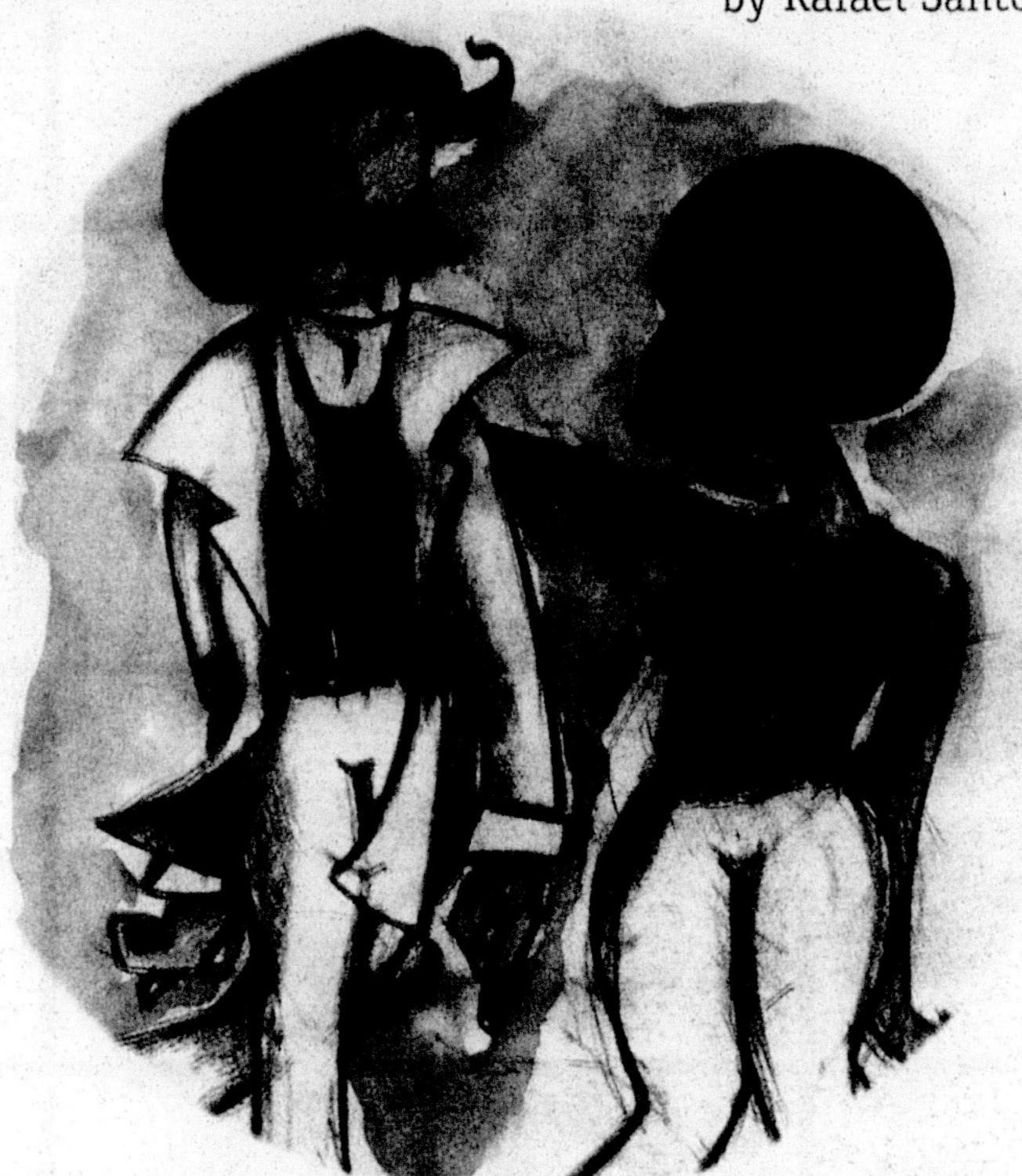
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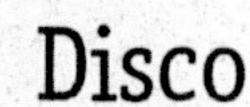
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by Rafael Santos











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Mom

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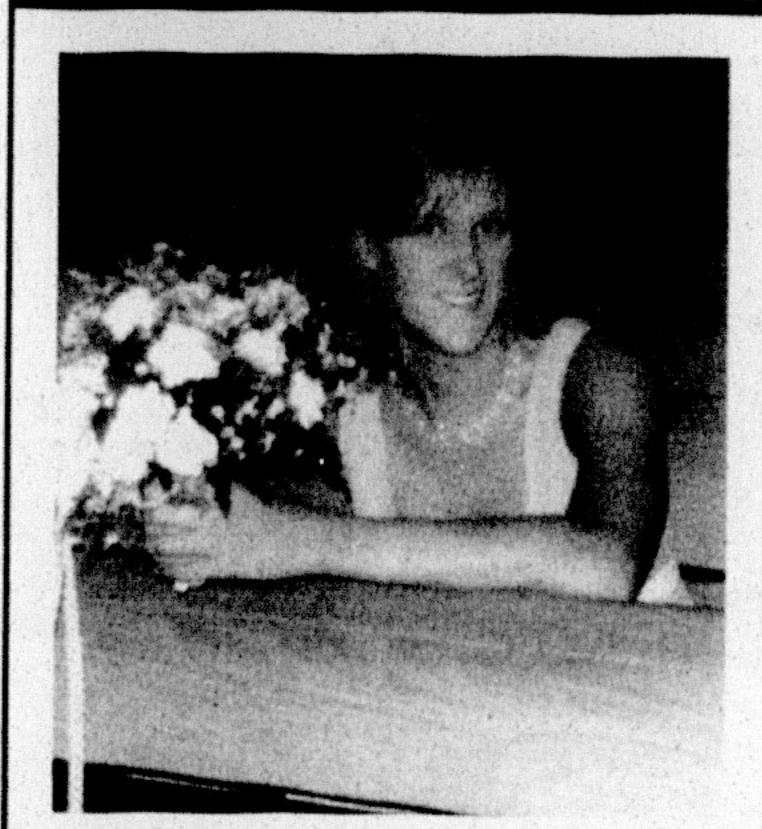
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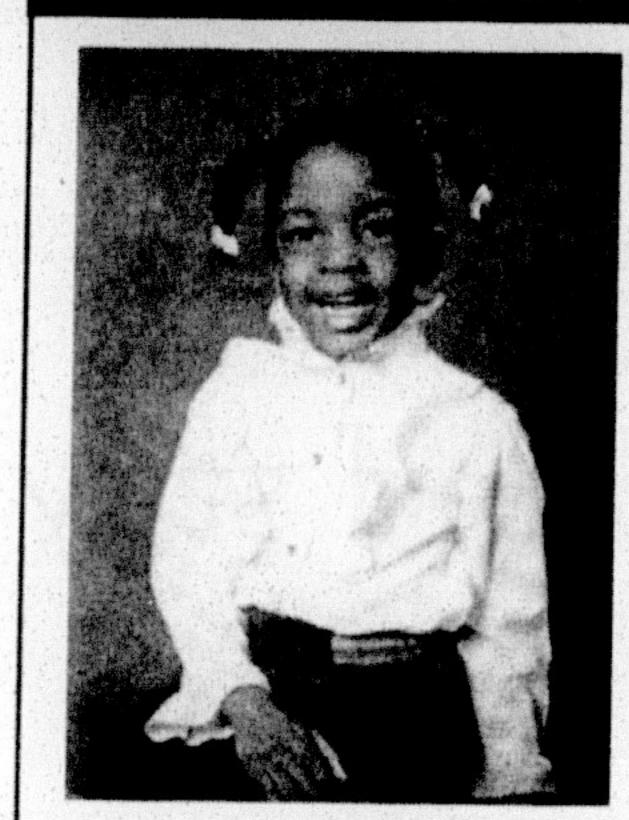


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Mama

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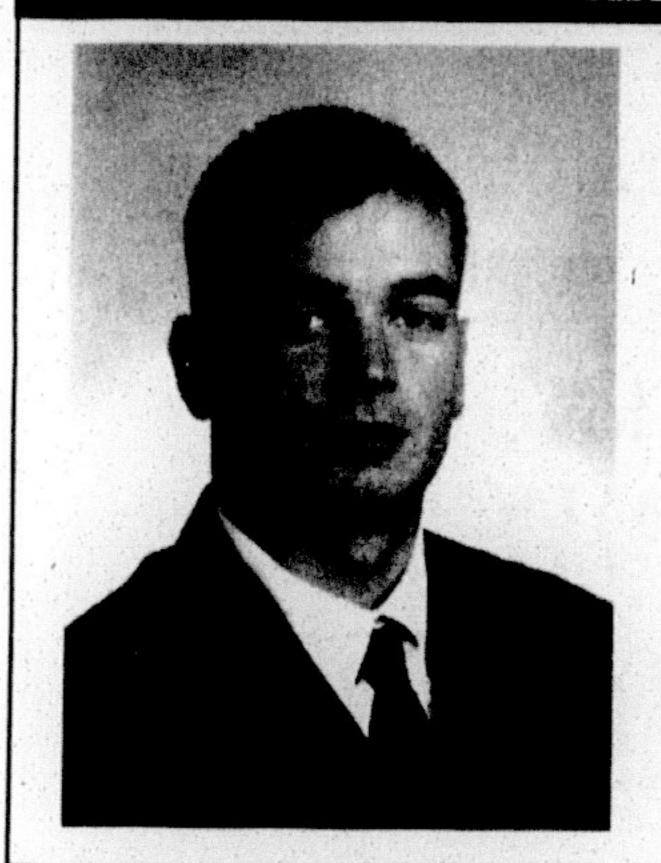
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Amy is graduating from ECU.

We love you. We love you!

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and Duke

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We are so proud of you.

We love you. Mom & Dad

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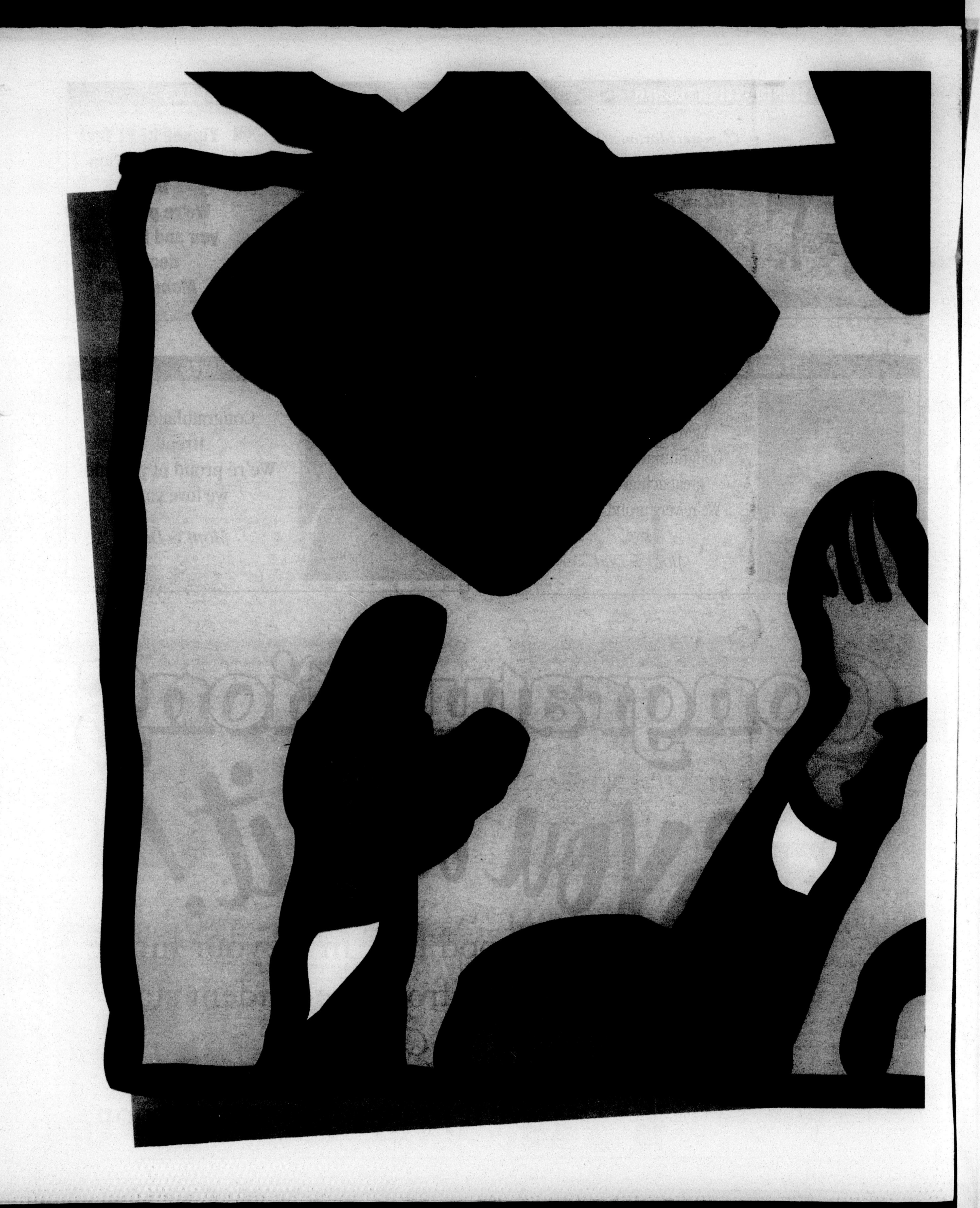
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SPORTSBRIEFS

Redskins' Turner fired



What do you get when you combine a \$100 million payroll and 7-6 record? Fired. Norv Turner was

fired Monday by Redskins owner Daniel Snyder. Snyder got rid of the six-year head coach following a 9-7

loss Sunday to the New York Giants.

After purchasing the team, Snyder tried to be a contender, piecing together a roster of veterans and rookies that totaled over \$100 million in contracts and bonuses. As the team struggled early and now is 7-6 on the brink of playoff elimination, Turner was let go. The Redskins have lost four out of their last five games.

Turner, a former Dallas assistant, will be replaced by assistant Terry Robiskie for the remainder of the season.

In his six years on the sidelines in Washington, Turner went 49-59-1.

No. 2 Miami left out of title game



From its inception, the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) was the system by which the national champion of college football would be determined on the field. For the first time, the system has failed.

Sunday, the pairings were announced and No. 1 Oklahoma and No. 3 Florida State will square off for the National Championship in the FedEx Orange Bowl. Meanwhile, No. 2 Miami will play in the Nokia Sugar Bowl facing Florida.

The Tostitos Fiesta Bowl will feature Notre Dame and Oregon State, while the Rose Bowl will have Purdue and Washington.

Kuerten finishes year No. 1

Coming into this week's Master's Cup, Brazil's Gustavo Kuerten had to overcome a 75 point lead by Marat Safin to take finish the year ranked No. 1. All he did this weekend was beat Pete Sampras and sweep

Andre Agassi to do so. The 24-year old earned \$1.4 million for his win, his seventh of the year.

Kuerten also captured the French Open this Spring.

UNC wins title, again



And you think the Yankees are bad. The North Carolina women's soccer team won their 16th

NCAA title Sunday, defeating UCLA 2-1 thanks to a late rally. Down 1-0, the Tarheels came back to win thanks to an own goal by a UCLA defender in the 83rd minute.

The comeback was the Tarheels second in three days. Carolina had to come back to beat Notre Dame in the Semifinals.

The NCAA has had a women's soccer championship for 19 years. North Carolina has won the title all but three times.

ECU readies for bowl

Pirates will face

Texas Tech in Astrodome

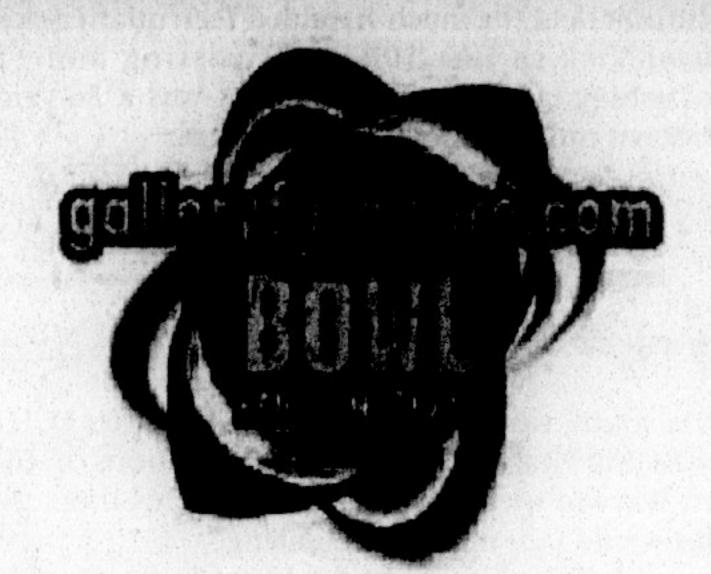
Stephen Schramm SPORTS EDITOR

Last season, when ECU took on Texas Christian in the Mobile Alabama Bowl, the Pirates got a taste of how football is played in Texas. This year, the Pirates will kick up the Texas flavor when they travel to Houston to play in the Galleryfurniture.com Bowl.

"East Carolina brings a rich football tradition and tremendous fan base that has historically traveled well with the team over the past several years," said Bowl Series Inc. President and CEO Jerry Ippoliti. "Their institution brings instant credibility, evidenced by playing in three previous bowl games and finishing 1999 in the top 25."

"We look forward to going to this bowl game," said ECU Head Coach Steve Logan. "I am sure we will show up in full force. We have an exciting team which the fans will enjoy watching."

The game will be the inaugural Galleryfurniture.com Bowl and the first for the city of Houston since the



Bluebonnet Bowl folded over a decade ago.

ECU will face Texas Tech, the seventh choice from the Big 12. The Red Raiders finished fifth in the Big 12 South with a 3-5 conference record. Led by first-year Head Coach Mike Leach, the Raiders feature a balanced attack led by Sophomore quarterback Kliff Kingsbury who threw for 3,418 yards and 21 touchdowns this

"It is great to play a bowl game in our home state," Leach said. "We have a tremendous following of loyal and faithful fans and an alumni base of 30,000 or more in the Houston area to draw from. We are truly excited about this opportunity."

The bowl will pay the teams \$750,000 a piece. The Pirates finished their regular season with a win over conference rival Southern Miss over Thanksgiving. The win put the Pirates at 7-4 heading into the bowl game.

The bowl serves to give the Pirates seniors one more game.

"It was a definite positive for me, knowing that my career will be extended for one more game," said senior center Sherwin Lacewell.

While in Houston, the team will be treated to a

Houston Rockets game as well as a trip to a rodeo. "It should be something new for me at the Rodeo," Lacewell said. "I've never been to one."

The bowl is the Pirates' second in two years. The team lost to TCU 28-14 in last year's Mobile Alabama Bowl.

"We played in a bowl last year and we came away with a loss," Lacewell said. "Going into the game last year we didn't really have that many players that have been to a bowl game. Not many of the players understood what it took to win a bowl game."

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ECU's Tali Robich (center) was named the Tournament MVP. (photo by John Stowe)

ECU women win tournament

Pirates top Hofstra in U.S. Cellular Classic

Kyle Barnes STAFF WRITER

The ECU women's basketball team added to their win column with the US Cellular Classic this weekend at Minges Coliseum. The Pirates defeated Hofstra in the championship game of the Tournament on Sunday, and placing three players from ECU on the All-Tournament team.

In the first half both teams played solid basketball, and the score see-sawed as neither team developed a strong first half run. ECU tied the game 28-28 on a lay up by redshirt freshman forward Angela Sye, who scored 10 points, and had 15 rebounds in the match up. Hofstra guard Jessica Olszewski answered with 2 seconds left in the half, giving her team a 30-28 lead at half-

"... I told the girls we might not get another tournament, so I challenged them to play as if this was the last game."

Dee Stokes

Head Coach, Women's Basketba

time.

"I told our team we can't let the other players who step up win this ball game. I told the girls we might not get another tournament, so I challenged them to play as if this was the last game," said Head Coach Dee Stokes.

ECU controlled the second half with a strong defensive effort that led to 14 turnovers and productive offensive play. ECU forward Tamilla Murray scored 14 of her 16 points in the second half, and gave the Pirates a huge offensive boost.

"Tamilla had a great game.

She didn't play much in the first half because she got into a little foul trouble. She looked a little sleepy-eyed, so I asked her if she was tired and told her she needed to wake up, and she really did," Stokes said.

ECU doubled the point total of Hofstra in the second half, and walked away with the 71-50 win. The win gave ECU the championship, and resulted in a trio of players being placed on the US Cellular Classic All-Tournament Team.

Angela Sye, Tamilla Murray and guard Christal Avery were all recognized on the team for their efforts, and forward Tali Robich was named most valuable player of the tournament. Robich scored 11 points in the championship match on Sunday, and her 33 points and 19 rebounds throughout the weekend were a strong part of ECU's success.

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Swimmers get strong finish at Nike Cup

Pirates set records in win over Duke

> Robert Bottoms STAFF WRITER

ECU set a record top-10 finish for both the men's and women's swim teams at the Nike Cup hosted by UNC-Chapel Hill on Nov. 16-18.

ECU was eighth overall on the men's side with a total of 123 points. Host No. 23 UNC won the team tournament with 1,113 total points, Pittsburgh was second with 842 points and Louisiana State was finished third with 609 total points.

"I think our freshmen stepped up very well," said assistant coach Chris Feaster. "We have a lot of experience but for the freshmen to perform like that was really awesome."

One highlight for the freshmen was the 400 free relay team of Matt Walker, Pat Nichols, Daniel Walters and Will Powell. They set a record for ECU freshmen and recorded ECU's highest finish in the school's history with a time of 3:06.96. In the 200 backstroke, Matt Wildreck finished 14th in 1:53.55 and Chris Johnson was 17th in 1:54.94. Finishing up the Pirates' night session, Will Hudgins was 15th in the 1650 freestyle in a time of 16:12.24.

"The first 50 yards in the butterfly killed me," Hudgins said. "There were fast people on all the teams and I just didn't stay with the other swimmers. However, I do think the mile freestyle was my highlight.

"I think next time I need to be a little more focused on the race itself and the mentality that I can win the race," Hudgins said. "Also, a little more work on my backstroke and butterfly mechanics would help." On the women's side, Samantha Perry placed sixth

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Men's basketball tops Belmont, loses to Radford

Team hit century mark in win

> Scott Lange SPORTS WRITER

The men's basketball team rallied past Belmont Wednesday night, by hitting a new school record 15 3-pointers in the game. The Pirates defeated the Bruins 100-88, the most points scored by the team in almost 8 years.

The two teams combined to hit 31 out of 71 from the 3-point line. The Pirates hit 15 of 33 for the game, and the Bruins hit 16 of 38.

"I was very surprised with the score," said Belmont coach Rick Byrd. "But when both teams shoot the three as well as we did, there are going to be a lot of points being scored."

The Pirates came out strong scoring the first ten points of the game. Junior guard Brandon Hawkins had the hot hand early hit-

ting two 3-pointers. The team had an early 16-5 lead before the Bruins got within three points at 28-25.

Later on in the half, the two teams went on a 3-point barrage hitting six straight 3-point baskets. The biggest on coming from Belmont junior Wes Burtner which gave the Bruins a 55-52 lead. The Bruins would take a 57-55 lead into halftime.

Pirate junior forward Kenyatta Brown started out the second half with a 3-pointer to give the Pirates a quick 58-57 lead. Belmont would respond with a 15-5 run to lead 72-63. Coach Bill Herrion would then call an important timeout, and decided to increase the pressure

on the Bruins. "We got down by nine in the second half," Herrion said. "The kids did not let that effect them though."

The Pirates went on a 9-0 run to tie the game. Belmont seemed rattled and never got back on track. The most exciting moment of the game came when freshman forward Erroyl Bing hit two free throws for the team to hit

the 100-point mark sending excitement through the crowd.

"I was nervous," Bing said. "Brandon was telling me these were the two biggest shots of my life."

The Pirates were led by Hawkins who scored a career-high 26 points which included 6 of 10 from 3-point land.

"I felt good shooting the ball tonight," Hawkins said. "My teammates were looking for me and I was able to get some good

After their big win Wednesday night, the Pirates traveled to Radford University to take on the Highlanders. The Highlanders used a 10-2 run late in the game to pull away and defeat the Pirates 63-56. The Pirates shot just 30.6 percent for the game, and hit on just 3 of

17 from 3-point range. "They were able to get the ball inside and expose our lack of size." Herrion said. "Defense was not a problem. We played good enough defense to put ourselves in a position to win the game."

Bing carried the Pirates for most of the game. He scored a career-high 22

points and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead the Pirates.

"One positive thing was Erroyl Bing," Herrion said. "He is starting to do some of the thing we expect seniors to do on the floor. He is not playing like it's his sixth game of his freshman year."

Other notables for the Pirates were freshman center Gabriel Mikulas, who scored 13 points, and sophomore Travis Holcomb-Faye scored 11. Hawkins who scored 26 points Wednesday night was held scoreless for the

The Pirates will next be in action on Wednesday Dec. 6 as they open up conference play on the road against James Madison University.

The Pirates return home following the trip to take on Appalachain State on December 16 in Williams

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ECU finished docket 7-4, headed for second straight bowl

ECU 38-Duke 0

Sept. 2 Durham, N.C.

The Pirates opened their 2000 campaign with a statement from the defense. Three plays into the season, ECU cornerback Kelly Hardy picked of a Spencer Romine pass and returned it 26 yards for the game's opening score.

The rest of the game went much the same way as the Pirates bolted to a 38-0 win.

The defense backed up their early fireworks with steady play, holding the Blue Devils to just 140 yards

of total offense. The opener was just as promising for the offense as well. Junior quarterback David Garrard closed the day with 264 yards on 22 of 29 passing. Garrard hooked up with senior receiver Keith Stokes who had a careerhigh 124 yards. The Pirates also had success on the ground racking up 164 rushing yards.

As the final minutes of the game ticked away, the soaked ECU partisan crowd began chanting "We want Tech," referring to the much-anticipated Thursday night matchup with Virginia Tech that was then just five days away.

Virginia Tech 45-ECU 28

Sept. 7 Greenville

When the 2000 football schedule was released, fans circled the Sept. 7 match up with Virginia Tech as the biggest game. Energy was building in the days leading up to the nationally televised game.

When Garrard connected with Keith Stokes on a bomb that gave the Pirates an apparent first-and-

goal from the Virginia Tech 5-yard line, the energy was released.

However a penalty nullified the gain, and it didn't

get any better after that. Virginia backed up its reputation for delivering big plays on special teams as two bad snaps and an 87-yard

punt return led to 17 Virginia Tech points. While the Hokies bolted out to a 31-0 halftime lead and scored 45 points by the end of the game, the Pirate defense actually did well.

The unit held the much-heralded Tech quarterback Michael Vick to just 106 yards passing and 13 yards rushing. One of the few lapses was a 56-yard touchdown run by the Hokies' Lee Suggs.

Tulane 17-ECU 37

Sept. 16 Greenville

A year ago, when ECU and Tulane met after ECU's first loss, the Pirates took out their frustrations on the Green Wave to the tune of a 52-7 rout. This time, the Pirates would face more of a challenge.

A quick Tulane team and a surprisingly effective rushing attack held the Pirates at bay for the first two quarters, however in the final two periods, the Pirates outscored the Green Wave 24-3 en route to a 37-17 victory.

The first half saw Tulane rack up 169 yards of offense on the ground. Tailback Mwelde Moore ended the half with 115 yards.

The Green Wave led at the half 14-13.

The Pirates did just that as the team got two touchdowns off of the option and one from a 41-yard touchdown pass to split end Arnie Powell.

The defense managed to shut down the Tulane offense in the second half holding them to just a

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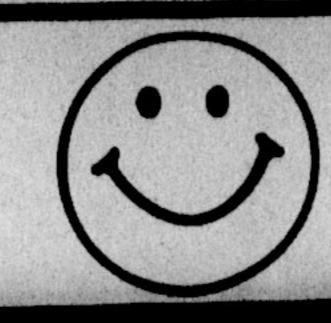
"I was really happy we could win this tournament and have three kids on the All-Tournament team," Stokes said. "I felt Robich because we have to play a good

really deserved being named MVP. I think this gives our kids a lot of confidence, but not too much

team in Campbell next week."

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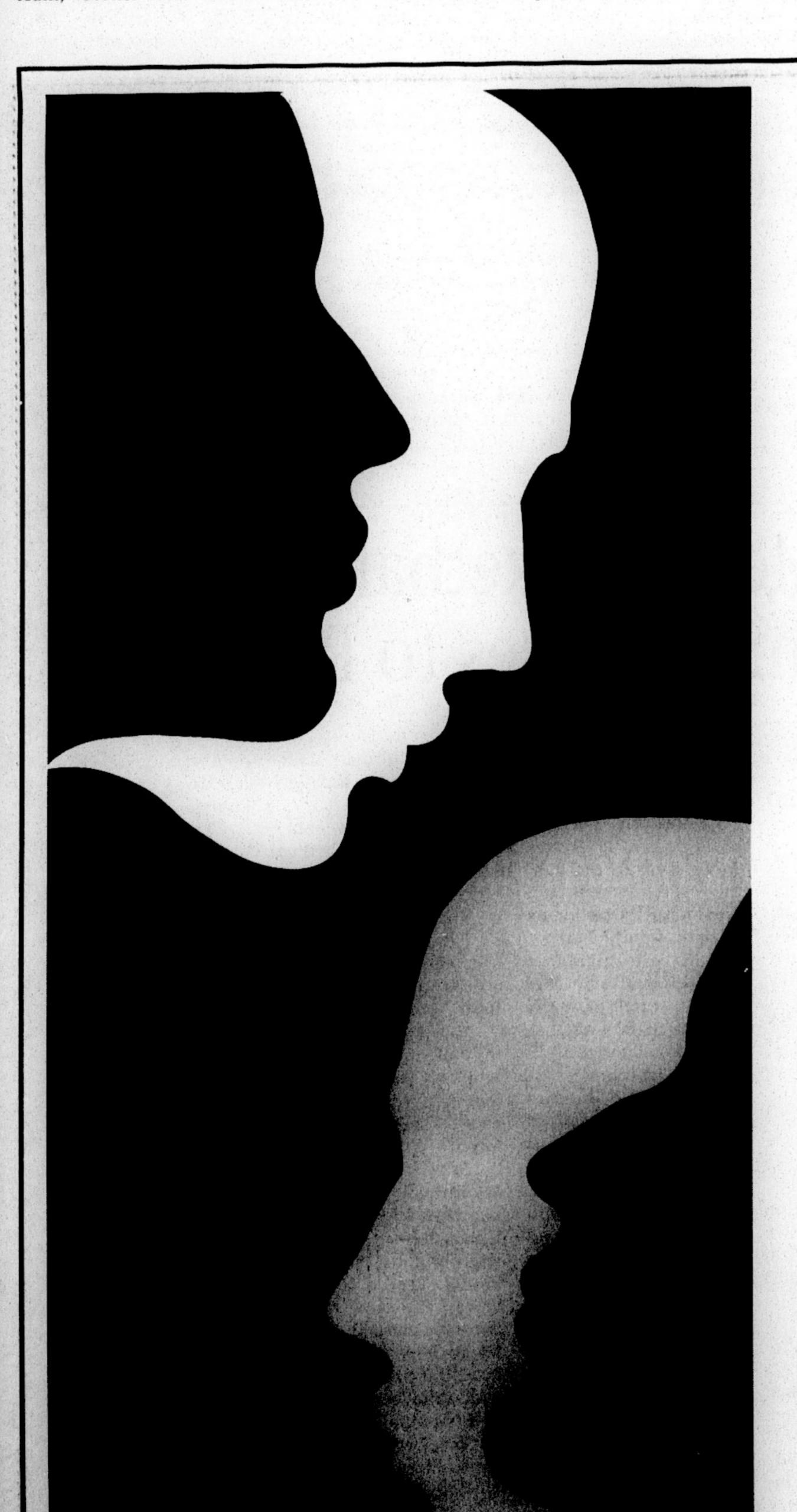
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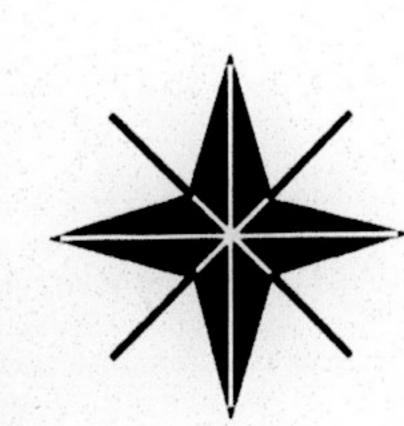
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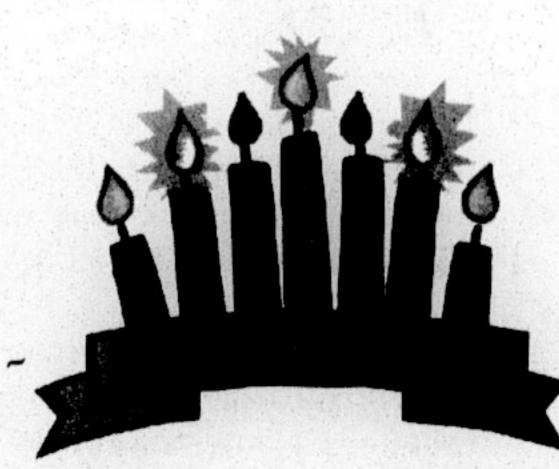
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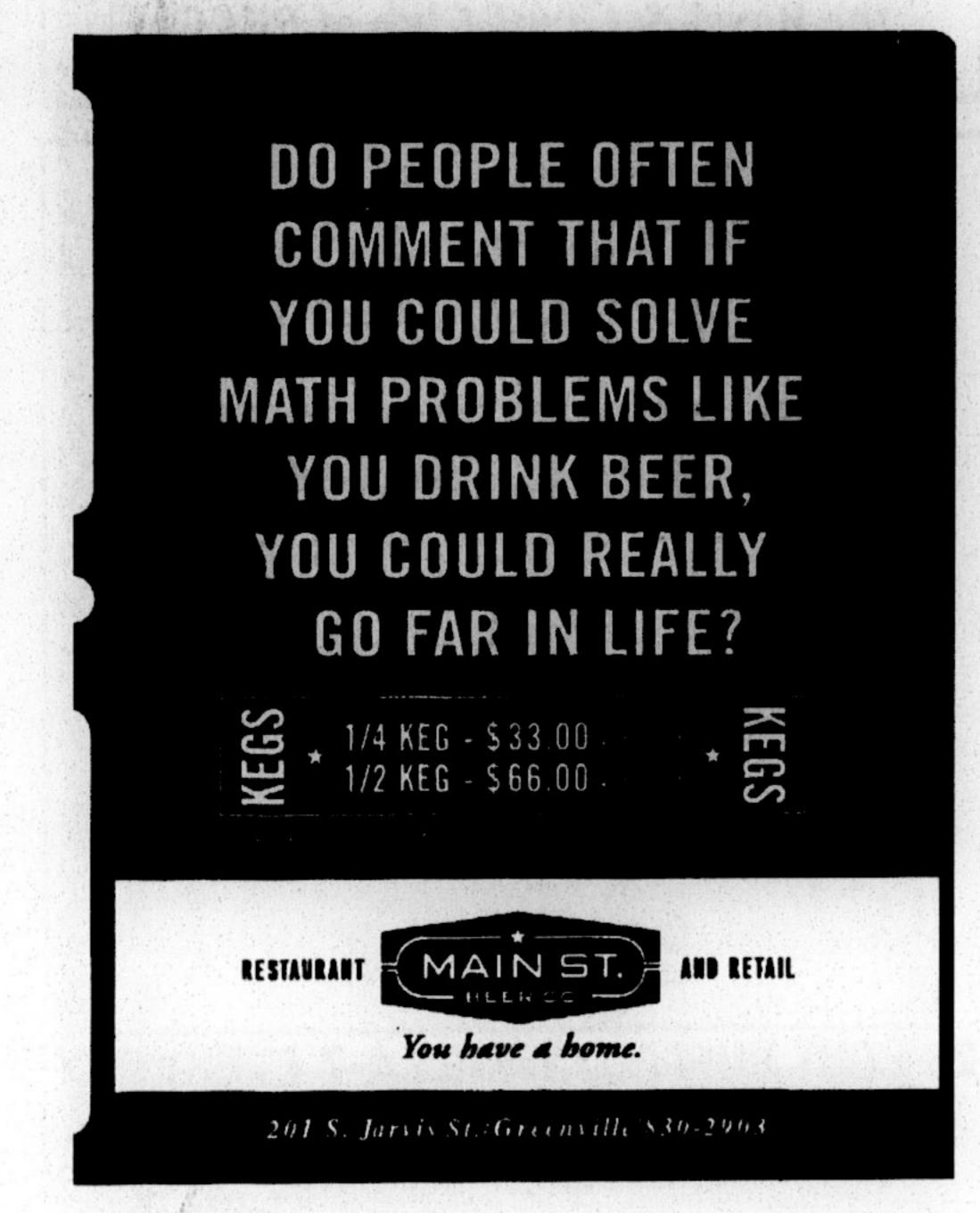
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Syracuse 17-ECU 34

Sept. 23 Greenville

For the week leading up to the Pirates game with Syracuse, the ECU practice field had some extra decoration. Over a dozen pumpkins adorned the entrance to the facility arranged to read "56-0." The pumpkins were a reminder of the 56-0 loss that the Orangemen dealt the Pirates back in 1997. The team got the message.

Once again the Pirates relied on a strong second half performance

by the defense.

In the first half, the Orangemen went 8-for-11 passing for 117 yards. In the second half the Pirate defense held them to 62 yards on 4-for-11 passing.

Meanwhile, the Orangemen found success on the ground with tailback James Mungro rushing for 107 yards and teammate Dee Brown running for 79. On the day the Orangemen ran for 273 yards.

While Syracuse was able to move ball on the ground, the Pirates were equally as successful in the air. Garrard hooked up with Harris on two long touchdown passes, 46 and 65 yards.

ECU 10-Memphis 17

Oct. 7

Memphis, Tenn.

ECU went to Memphis with hopes of returning in December in the Liberty Bowl. A 17-10 loss to the Tigers dashed the Pirates hopes.

Memphis, starting a third-string quarterback, Scott Scherer, got some early help from two Pirate turnovers. By the end of the first quarter, the Tigers had a 17-0 lead, and the Pirates never responded.

Scherer, son of Memphis Head Coach Rip Scherer, went 18-25 on the day for 175 yards. Sherer completed his first six passes and rushed for a touchdown.

The Pirate defense held the Tigers scoreless for the remaining three quarters, but thanks to the Tigers' early outburst it was in a losing effort.

Army 21-ECU 42

Oct. 14 Greenville

Army's visit to Greenville pitted Head Coach Steve Logan versus friend and former assistant Todd Berry. Thanks to a second half explosion, the Pirates crushed the Cadets 42-21. So much for hospitality.

The game marked the emergence of Leonard Henry as the Pirates' featured back. The junior, who vowed not to talk to the media in order

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to focus on football, proved his concentration was well placed as he rushed for 135 yards and scored three touchdowns, the final coming on a 77-yard run late in the fourth quarter.

The two teams battled to a 21-21 through the first three quarters. However, the Pirates took Logan's philosophy of winning games late to heart, outscoring the Knights 21-0 in the fourth quarter.

ECU 28- Louisville 25

Louisville, Ky.

En route to their first Conference USA title, Louisville faltered just once in conference play. It was the Pirates 28-25 Thursday night win in Louisville.

ECU led 21-10 at the end of the first half. Louisville's vaunted offense outscored the Pirates 157 in the final two quarters but it wasn't enough.

Louisville's passing attack did gain 252 yards. However, the Pirate defense stiffened in the second half, securing the victory.

The game marked the halfway point of a six-week span of C-USA

opponents that was at the heart of the Pirates' schedule. With the win, the Pirates Liberty Bowl hopes were revived following the Memphis loss.

UAB 16- ECU 13

Oct. 28 Greenville

Before his team's game with UAB, Logan questioned whether or not his team was ready for the pressure of a tight championship chase, Logan got the answer to the question. However, it wasn't the answer he wanted.

If the loss to Memphis hurt the Pirates hopes for a C-USA crown, the 16-13 home loss to UAB floored them.

In front of a quiet crowd of 29,000 the Pirates fell for the second straight year to the Blazers. Despite putting up 157 yards rushing and 253 yards in the air, the Pirate offense failed to convert and turn the yardage into scores.

The loss knocked the Pirates out of contention for the Liberty Bowl and forced the Pirates to have to wait at least one more year for their first conference title.

Houston 20-ECU 62

Nov. 11 Greenville

After failing to put enough points on the board to beat UAB two weeks earlier, the ECU offense decided to make it up to their defensive counterparts. They did, and then some.

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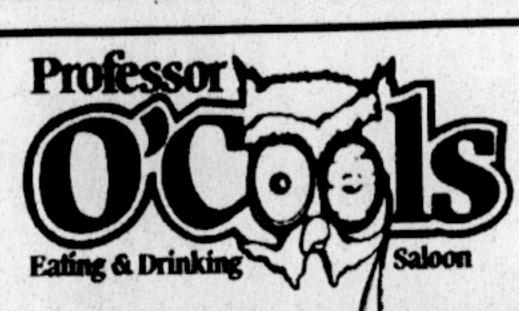
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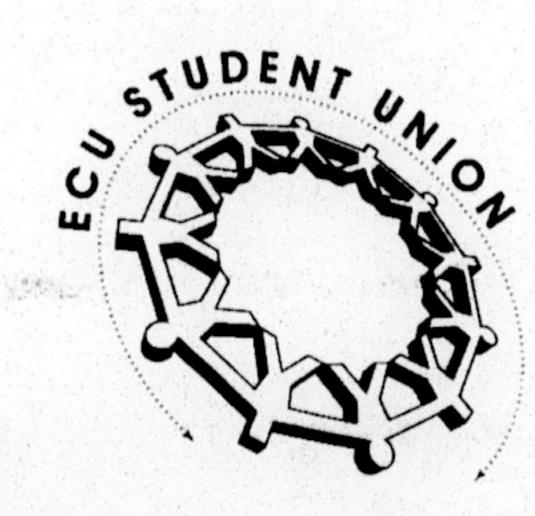


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ECU cruised past hapless Houston 62-20. The 42-point margin of victory erased any doubts about the effectiveness of the Pirate offense.

The Pirates 62-points came after a sluggish start for both teams, After five punts and a blocked field goal, the Pirates called upon the energetic Stokes to get things started. He obliged, breaking off a wild 59-yard punt return for a touchdown.

Soon after the return, Garrard hit Harris for a 69-yard touchdown pass. Garrard, split end Terrance Copper, Henry, and tight end Rashon Burns all found the end zone for the Pirates as ECU secured a winning season with its sixth win.

ECU 24-West Virginia 42

Nov.18 Morgantown, W. Va.

ECU traveled to Morgantown, W.Va to face West Virginia and a mountain of emotion. The game marked the final home game for longtime West Virginia coach Don Nehlen. The Mountaineers made sure he went out a winner, topping ECU 42-24.

West Virginia got 395 yards of total offense as well as a defensive

touchdown to secure the win. ECU ran for 327 rushing yards in their win over the mountaineers in 1999. In the Mountaineers' win, the Pirates only gained one yard

on the ground. Garrard had 280 yards on 25-41 passing.

His 45-yard pass to Harris cut the West Virginia lead to 29-17. Later Powell threw a touchdown pass to Aaron Harris to cut the Mountaineer lead to 32-24. That would be as close as the Pirates got.

ECU 14-Southern Miss 9

Nov. 24

Hattiesburg, Miss.

On a dreary Friday after Thanksgiving in Hattiesburg, in front of a sparse soaked crowd, the Pirates did something they had never done since joining C-USA, beat Southern Miss.

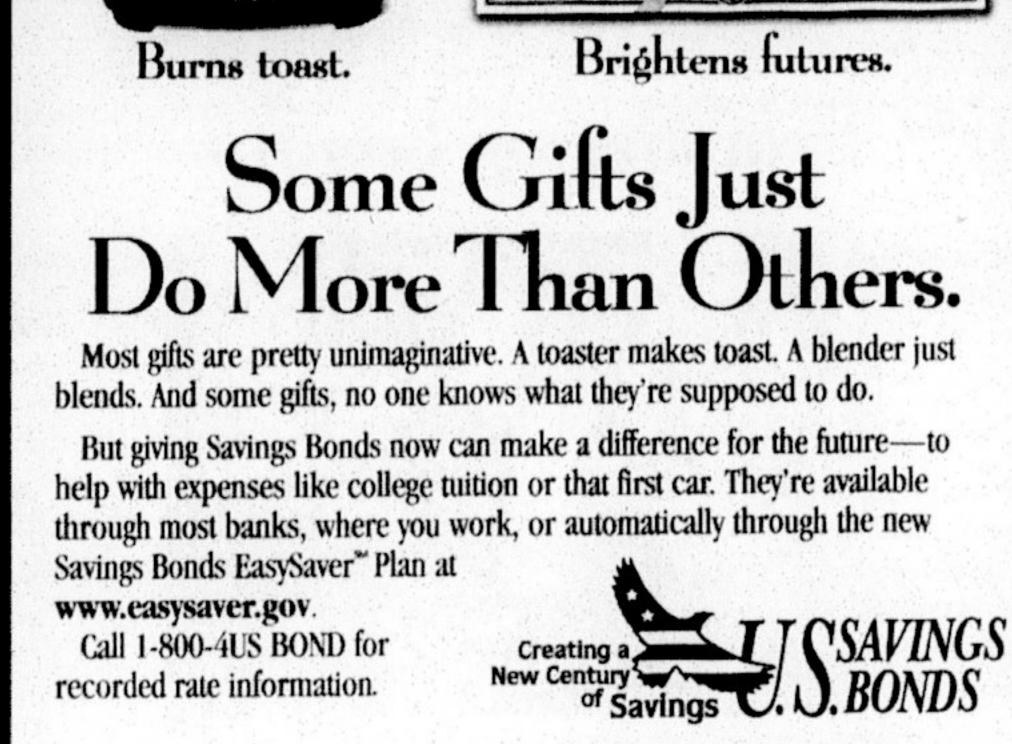
In a sloppy 14-9 slugfest, the Pirates secured a share of second-place in the conference and the got a measure of revenge on their conference ECU strung together a 7-play, 62-yard drive in the first half that

ended with a touchdown pass from Garrard to tight end Corey Floyd that put the Pirates up 7-0. The Pirates led 14-0 after a pass but Southern Miss' Jeff Kelly was

picked off by linebacker Greg LeFever, who fumbled. Kelly Hardy picked up the ball and ran it in for the score.

After a Kelly touchdown run and a field goal cut the Pirate lead to five late in the fourth quarter, Southern Miss' Chad Williams returned a punt 53 yards to give the Eagles a chance to take the lead. The defense held and the Pirates secured their seventh win of the season.

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in the 200 breast stroke in 2:19.81 and led the team for the second time this year. Her time in that event was the second fastest in ECU history. ECU as a team scored 124 points to come in eighth.

"Sam was two seconds faster at that event than last year's when she was shaved and rested," Feaster said. "We were very excited about that."

Following Perry, Dana Fuller placed 12th in the 1650 freestyle with a time of 17:24.15 and Tracy Ormond placed 16th in 17:29.34. In the 100 freestyle, Courtney Foster came in 10th with a time of 53.27 and Abby Stallworth placed 15th with a time of 2:07.46 in the 200 fly.

"We swam very well that night," Feaster said. "There wasn't just one highlight. It was a combination of the whole team including Sam, Amy (Hendrick) and Matt."

"I felt my 100 back was the best

for me. I was .02 of a second faster than last year's 100 back," Hendrick said. "Right now, I'm in better shape than I was last year at this event and it helped a lot."

"I think our performance as a team was the best, though, Hendrick said. "Our relays were awesome and we did very well overall. The fact that we came in eighth was even better. I believe that continuing our conditioning and training, especially on dry land, would help us get even higher in future events."

"Even though our swimmers weren't well rested, we still had a lot of swimmers in the nighttime events," Feaster said. "That shows a lot about our depth and hard

This weekend, the Pirates hosted Dukeat the Minges Aquatic

The men improved to 6-1 with their 134-108 win over the Blue

Devils while the women fellDue 133-110. The loss drops the women to 4-3 overall. Themen's win was the first win by an ECU team over Duke since 1998.

The Pirates were paced by freshman Matt Walker who won the 100, 200 and 500 freestyle events.

Walker is currently ranked 14th in the country in the 200 freestyle and 21st in the 500 freestyle. He haas won 15 consecutive

events in dual meets. The Pirates also got a strong showing from senior Claes Lind-

gren, who finished first in the 200 Senoir Will Hudginswon the 1000 frestyle in a time of 9:40.97. Meanwhile freshman Matt Wildreck won the 200 backstroke in a time

of 1:54.32. The women were led by junior Amy Hendrick. Hendrick set a new pool record for the 100 backstroke.

She set the record during the

opening leg of the 400 meter medley relay.

Hendrick swam the lap in 57.00 seconds, breaking the old record of 57.03.

Not to be outdone, junior Allison Terrill also put her name in the ECU recordbooks notching a school record in the 2000 meter Individual Medley. Terrill swam a 2:07.30, the fastest in ECU history.

Teammate, sophomore Abby Stallworth als o posted a win in the 200 free with a time of 1:56.51.

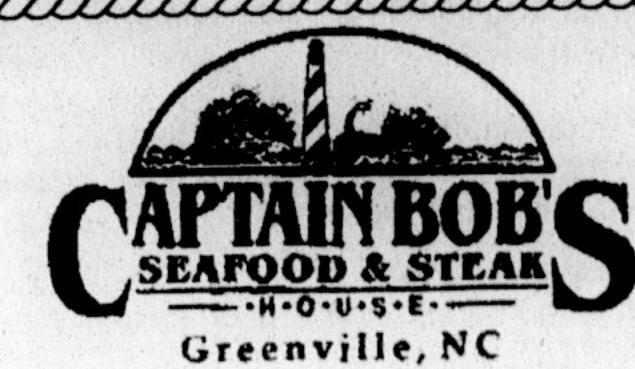
"Duke's men's and women's teams were shaved and ready to swim against us," Kobe said. "That is a great compliment to any team to have an opponent rest and shave to swim against you. Overall, I was very happy with the men's and women's team."

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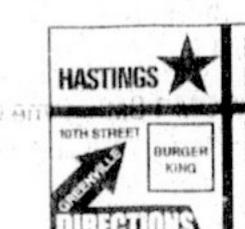
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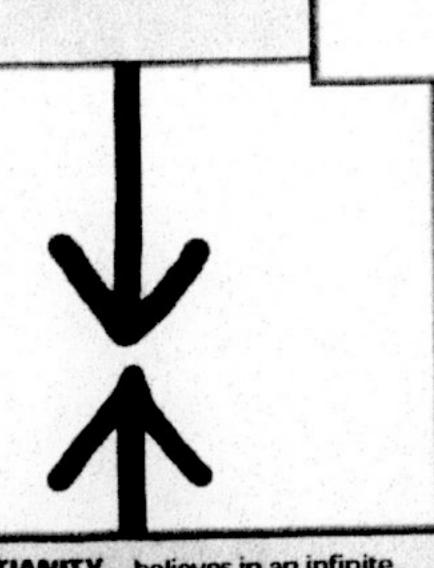
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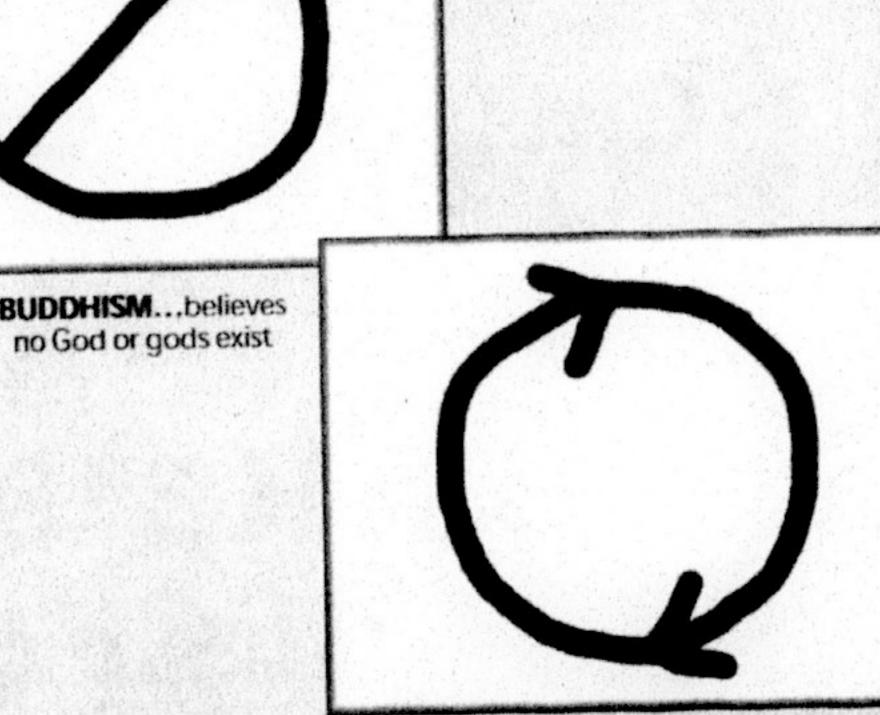


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PERSONALS

CONGRATULATIONS AND the best of luck to all students graduating in December!!! You've done a great job!

GREEK PERSONALS

FOUR STARS says Sigma Pi for Jeff Batten's performance in A Sense of Place.

THE SISTERS of Delta Zeta would like to thank last years executive board and officers for all of their board work. We would also like to welcome this years executive board: President: Kathleen Wickersty, VP of Membership: Katie Winkle, VP of Programming: Chrissy McAlpin, VP of NEW MEmber Education: Colleen Howard, Treasurer: Chrissy Holt, Secretary: Sue Rodemer, House MGR: Courtney Welford, and Panhellenic Delegate Michelle Faison. Congratulations to all officers as well!

ELIZABETH AND Rory, have a great time in Spain. You will definitely be missed! Love your Delta Zeta sisters

SIGMA SIGMA Sigma hopes everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving Break.

ALPHA DELTA Pi would like to congratulate Monica Palumbo- Miss North Carolina! Good luck at Miss USA! Love your

ZETA. THE Twisted social was a blast last Thursday night! We enjoyed our time together, and wish you the best during finals next week. The brothers of Phi Kappa Psi.

KAPPA SIGMA, Thank you for showing our new sisters a great time at Thursday's social! Can't wait 'till next semester! Love, Alpha Delta Pi.

CONGRATULATIONS TO the newly initiated sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma; Amy Allen, Lacy Chryst, Jennifer Mullins, Erica Bender, Anna Bieneck, Olivia Brown, Lauren Bowers, Heather Davis, Alison Deidrick, Caroline Ennis, Meg Fox, Abbie Lassiter, Aimee Lassiter, Megan Leonard, Kristy Moore, Tara Patterson, Maureen Dowers, Andres Schilling, Kristen Souza, Jennifer Tripp, Denise Wieringa. We love you!

SIGMA SIGMA Sigma wishes everyone good luck on exams.

THE SISTERS of Delta Zeta would like to wish everyone good luck on exams! Have a safe and happy holiday also!

KAPPA DELTA congratulates its graduating sisters, Lexi Hasapis and Linda Wong. We will miss you both!

ALPHA DELTA Pi would like to congratulate our newly initiated sisters: Ginger Butler, Katie Costello, Meagan Cox, Lindsay Davis, Carmel Deavewr, Jill Fraley, Melissa Hardy, Rikki Hood, Shelley Hoyle, Missy Mackenzie, Sarah Mullan, Liz Navarro, Brooke Owen, Emily Parker, Mary Teel, Jena Tew, Becky Schmidt, Katie Strickland, Jenna Warren, Kelly Weaver, and Brittany Wilson.

ALPHA DELTA Pi would like to wish everyone good luck on exams and a safe break!

GREEK PERSONALS

THE SISTERS of Delta Zeta would like to thank the brothers of Theta Chi for such a great time last Thursday. We had a blast We have to get together soon.

GOOD JOB Sigma on your win over Alpha Phi in soccer. Love, the sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

TO THE world's best chapter, to the worlds best little sister, I love you and my cup runneth over. Jessica Smith, 2000-2001 Delta Zeta President.

for your years of service to the fraternity, and congratulate you on your December graduation. Your brothers of Phi Kappa Psi.

ROB SMITH, we would like to thank you

SIGMA NU, thank you for the great social at Sharky's last Thursday. The sisters of Kappa Delta.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Jamie, Amanda, Randi, and Sara! We'll wish you all good luck in the future. Know that you are a huge part of this chapter and your spirit and influence will continue. Love always your Delta Zeta sisters.

CONGRATULATIONS MONICA Palumbo of Alpha Delta Pi on winning Miss North Carolina USA. Love, the sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

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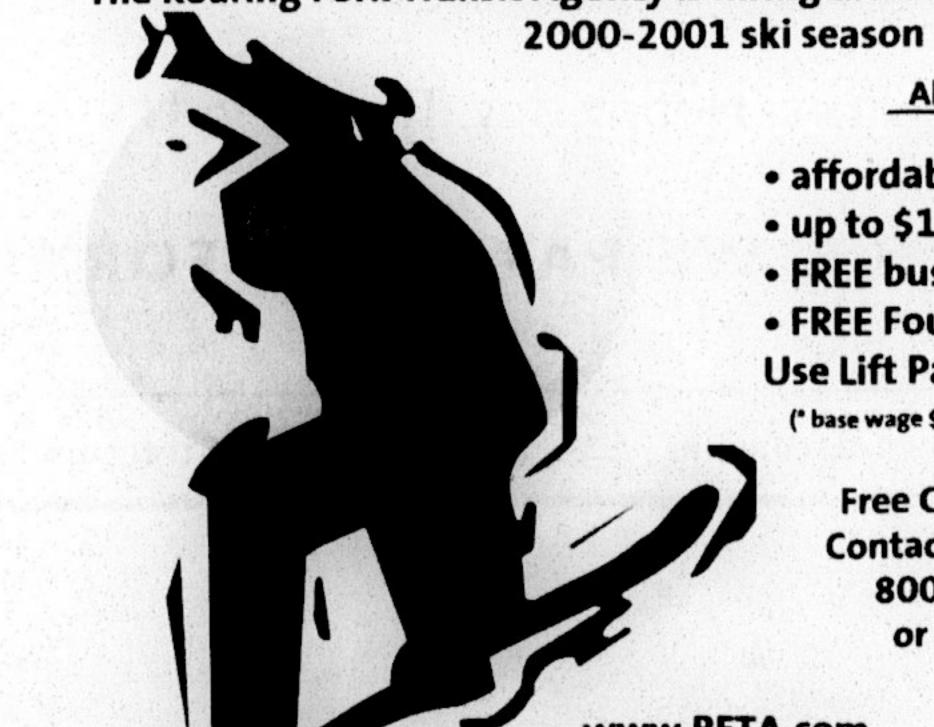
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