Duke ethicist explains why Americans fear death, church-goers are less fearful

Jarvis lecture on death in America

TAYLEIGH DAVIS STAFF WRITER

Do Americans solely believe

in a divine God? If the United States was founded one nation under God, why are Americans so afraid of death? In a lecture held last Thursday, Stanley Hauerwas, professor of theological ethics at Duke University, explained why Americans are more afraid of death rather than the divine being himself.

In the medieval church, Christians feared one divine God, in which their role on earth was to earn their way into the kingdom of heaven. Unlike many medieval Christians, Americans today don't really fear God or understand what it means to fear him. Instead, they allow possessions such as money, clothing, careers and relationships to become their own personal gods.

Hauerwas said medieval Christians didn't fear death, but they feared whether they were worthy enough for God to enter heaven. However, he said Americans today fear death more than the process of getting into heaven.

The worst type of death Americans fear is a slow death. They want to die quickly and painlessly, not be a burden on anyone else, Hauer-

was said. The worst "part of pain is consciousness."

However, medieval Christians did not want a quick death. They preferred a slow death in order to allow enough time to reconcile with their family and the church. Again, Hauerwas reinforced that medieval Christians were more concerned with earning their way into heaven rather than dying quickly and ending the process. In a sense, they had unfinished business to handle before dying, he said.

Medieval Christians also had faith that God would provide them with everything they needed. Nonetheless, Hauerwas said today's modernization is causing people to put hope in other things besides faith.

Today, Americans expect the medical profession to prolong their lives, but most of the time when patients receive medical help, it's too late. The United States is now spending nearly 17 percent of the Gross National Product on medical care and 60 percent of that goes toward patients in their last year of life, said Hauerwas.

"You don't know it's their last year of life until you start taking care of them. But once you start, it's very hard to stop the roller coaster," said Hauerwas.

Today, Americans think medicine can cure disease but "we place too much expectation" on medicine when it simply "teaches how to go on," it doesn't necessarily cure a person, said Hauerwas.

Not only are Americans seeking ways to cure disease, they want cures for illnesses too. "Since when did baldness and aging become diseases?" Hauerwas said.

This places a burden on the medical practice because one responsibility of medicine is to fulfill specialization - what can be done not to harm patients.

"Doctors will do the best not to hurt you, but sometimes they will hurt the patient," Hauerwas said. Physicians must make deci-

sions that are best for each individual patient, but they can mess up sometimes, Hauerwas said.

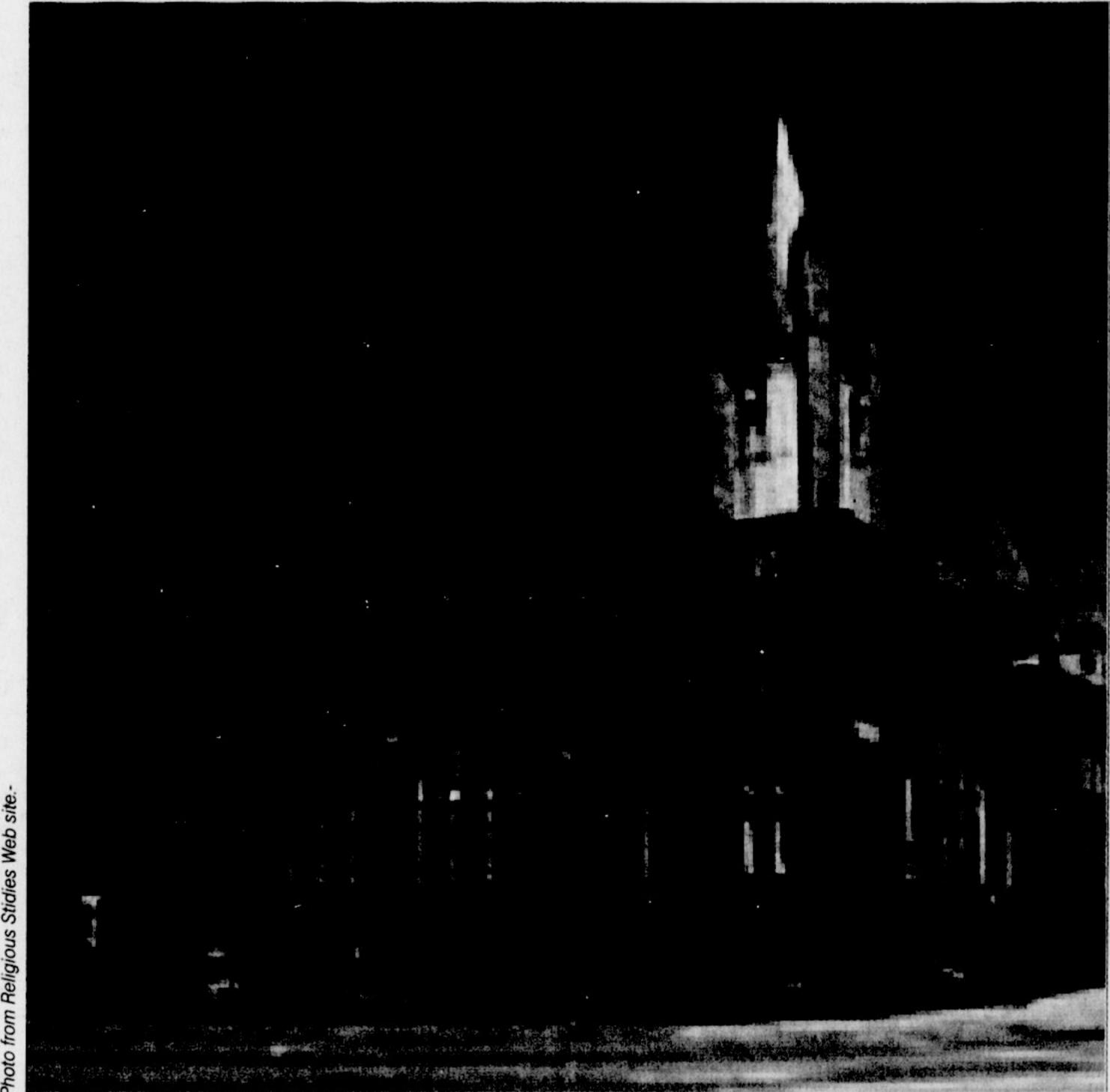
"[People too often] believe that medicine can cure but the more you think your doctor is more important than your priest, you've got to prove why death determines what you are," Hauerwas said. Christians are also seeking a

cure for pain, not through prolonging life, but rather ending & it through suicide. Hauerwas categorized two main suicides ₹ with modern Christians.

The first - suicide of the metaphysical "I gotcha" means.

"Take this, what are you going to do now," Hauerwas said.

The person uses this method as a form of payback.



The lecture is supported by a generous gift from the Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church.

Rosa Parks, civil rights pioneer, dead at 92

DETROIT (AP) — Nearly 50 years ago, Rosa Parks made a simple decision that sparked a revolution. When a white man demanded she give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., bus, the then 42-year-old seamstress said no.

At the time, she couldn't have known it would secure her a revered place in American history. But her one small act of defiance galvanized a generation of activists, including a young Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., and earned her the title "mother of the civil rights movement."

Mrs. Parks died Monday evening at her home of natural causes, with close friends by her side, said Gregory Reed, an attorney who represented her for the past 15 years. She was 92.

Monique Reynolds, 37, a native of Montgomery, Ala., called Mrs. Parks an inspiration who had lived to see the changes brought about by the civil rights movement.

"Martin Luther King never saw this, Malcolm X never saw this," said Reynolds, who now lives in Detroit. "She was able to see this and enjoy it."

In 1955, Jim Crow laws in place since the post-Civil War Reconstruction required separation of the races in buses, restaurants and public accommodations throughout the South, while legally sanctioned racial discrimination kept blacks out of many jobs and neighborhoods in the North.

Mrs. Parks, an active member of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was riding on a city bus Dec. 1, 1955, when a white man demanded her seat.

She refused, despite rules requiring blacks to yield their seats to whites. Two black Montgomery women had been arrested earlier that year on the same charge, but Mrs. Parks was jailed. She also was fined \$14.

U.S. Rep John Conyers, in whose office Mrs. Parks worked for more than 20 years, remembered the civil rights leader as someone whose impact on the world was immeasurable, but who never sought the limelight.

"Everybody wanted to explain Rosa Parks and wanted to teach Rosa Parks, but Rosa Parks wasn't very interested in that," he said. "She wanted them to understand the government and to understand their rights and the Constitution that people are still trying to perfect today."

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpat-

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Web site offering lectures online

Concern over possible side effects for students and professors

ZACK HILL

ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

College students may soon have a new way to hit snooze on the alarm for that 8 a.m. Friday morning lecture.

This has some in the aca-

demic community concerned. Pick-a-Prof, a web company that provides information on professors to students, is now gearing up to offer downloadable lectures. As of now, only four professors' lectures are available, but the service is in a trial period and the company hopes to expand the service to universities

across the country. "I think it could help," said Josh Barwick, senior construction

management major. "If I had professors offering lectures online, I'd probably use them."

Downloads so far have been limited but have aroused enough interest for the company to plan a spring semester expansion to include all of about

120 schools that make up its roster. Currently, the site offers critiques on professors as well as class grade histories and student comments. The profiles come from students who are members of the site and have taken courses taught by the professors.

There are drawbacks though. The issue of professor replacement looms in the minds of many, with the possibility of a dozen instructors being replaced by a single, easily available

"You can't replace a profes-

sor in the classroom who's been educated to his discipline, who's effective, with something on the Internet," said Henry Ferrell, professor of history. "This is nothing more than the old extension courses. You

might learn the information, and you might even learn the ideas, but you miss the education part." The warning is echoed

throughout the academic community - there is no substitute for the teacher-student-classroom dynamic.

"Most classrooms involve interactive learning," said Tonita Branan, assistant professor ence major. of English.

about literary texts if we did not question, argue and dismantle both the texts and our own responses.

The company initially charged a fee of \$5 per lecture, but has changed the policy to allow an unlimited number of downloads after purchasing a \$5 per semester subscription. Some student governments are planning to pay for students to sign up.

Additional revenue is coming from ads on the Web site, and professors would share the profits with Pick-A-Prof. This has caused some to fear that a conflict of interest might arise with professors being paid by both the university and Pick-

Another topic of debate is how the service could affect student attendance. With the day's lecture available online to listen to at their leisure, fear has arisen that students would stop coming to class.

"I can see days where I would just go online instead of going to class some days," said Jason Blackburn, senior political sci-

Pick-A-Prof ensures that "Neither I nor the students the lectures are intended only would discover very much as a supplement to what students should already be doing going to class, completing assignments and studying for exams.

The same principle applies to professors' jobs as well - the lectures are merely an aid.

Thomas Herron, assistant professor of English, sees a possible place for Pick-A-Prof in the college environment.

"My feeling on this is that it works better for science and engineering courses where there's a set curriculum and body of knowledge to get through rather than for humanities courses which tend to have more variables regarding professional quirks and range of teaching matter," said Herron.

The lectures are intended to be available to the general public as well as enrolled students, but professors have the option of restricting access to their students only.

Opposition from university administrations has been weak so far, but the service has only been available for a few weeks. More noise is likely to be made as the service grows and more students and professors become involved.

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Brody physicians chosen by their peers as 'Best Doctors'

Brody School physicians receive high honors

TAWANDA CARLTON

STAFF WRITER It's a who's who in American

medicine - physicians from around the nation and the world are screened, surveyed by their peers and chosen as "Best Doc-

Every year, surveys are issued to 30,000 physicians across the United States asking whom they would choose to treat themselves or their families. Twenty-one physicians from the Brody School of Medicine were awarded the prestigious

One of them was Dr. Joseph Zanga, a distinguished professor in Primary Care, specializing

to be proud.

"We're being nominated by our peers, and it feels good to be in a good group like this because one of the things it does is make you want to be even better," said "In the United States, Best

Doctors surveying and research has identified 33,000 of the best physicians," according to the Best Doctors Web site.

Zanga said before the recognition he thought of himself as a good doctor.

"I have gained more experiences and knowledge, and I consider myself to be a good pediatrician," Zanga said.

Most people would wonder if this was a random survey, but the strength of the survey pro-

School of Medicine has a reason participate. Current best doctor until they leave my care in early physicians receive the survey in order to nominate and vote, so it's not random.

"This makes all physicians recognize that we work with a talented group of physicians," Zanga said. "All physicians are checked

for licensure, certification and disciplinary actions taken," according to the Best Doctors

Web site. "This helps to ensure the credibility of the physician. The screening system for the physicians is unmatched for its rigor-

ousness and accuracy." Despite the many qualifications and accolades, Zanga still has goals that motivate him to be

an even better pediatrician. "[I want] to see that children

in pediatrics. He said the Brody cedure is that only the best may from the time they are conceived adulthood have been provided the advice, guidance and health services that allow them to reach their full potential," Zanga said.

"The survey has been in circulation for 15 years with a response rate of 40 percent," according to the Best Doctors Web site.

"Every doctor contacted is given the opportunity both to comment (confidentially) on the other doctors listed in his or her specialty and to make additional nominations. As new names are added to the pool, each undergoes the same rigorous peer-evaluation process."

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Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will have two blood drives this week at ECU. The first is Tuesday, Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in Wright Place and the second is Thursday, Oct. 26 from noon - 4 p.m. in the Allied Health Building.

Benefit Auction for Katrina

The Emerge Gallery and ECU Graduate Student Forum is hosting a silent benefit auction Friday, Nov. 4 from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Emerge Gallery, located at 404 South Evans St. in downtown Greenville. All proceeds will be donated to children's art education programs in areas that were affected by Hurricane Katrina. For more information, call Ben Lustig at 412-0841.

Asian Studies Lecture

Steven Heine, professor of religion and history at Florida International University, will present "Zen Hermits and Zen Samurai" Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 4 - 5:30 p.m. in the Science and Technology Building. The lecture is part of ECU's Annual Lecture in Asian Studies. For more information, contact John Tucker at tuckerjo mail.ecu.edu or 328-1028.

Lecture on New Orleans flooding

The recent flooding of New Orleans was no surprise to at least one Louisiana geographer who has studied the city's terrain for more than a decade. Historical geographer Craig Colten of Louisiana State University will discuss the environmental and cultural geography of New Orleans Friday, Oct. 28 at 3:30 p.m. in 349 Flanagan Building. For more information, contact Derek Alderman in the geography department at 328-4013.

Ceramic Guild Mug Sale

The ECU Ceramics Guild will have its annual mug sale Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Jenkins Fine Arts Lobby. Buy a mug and get free coffee, hot chocolate or tea all day long.

Homecoming Open House

Students and faculty are encouraged to attend the Homecoming Open House in the Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center from 9 - 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. Come out to enjoy a continental breakfast and a front row seat for the 10 a.m. Homecoming parade. For more information, contact 328-6072.

Gamma Beta Phi Meets

Gamma Beta Phi will have the last October meeting for members Wednesday, Oct. 26 in 1021 Bate. Please remember to bring dues if you have not done so already. Seniors who wish to purchase honor cords will be able to do so at the Nov. 2 meeting.

HOSA Meeting

There will be an information meeting for students interested in participating in HOSA (Health Occupations of America) Friday, Oct. 28 in 14 Mendenhall from 11 a.m. - noon.

Meet the Faculty

ECU students and faculty will get a chance to learn more about the school of art when Richard Tichich interviews Professor Paul Hartley, coordinator of painting and drawing for the ECU School of Art and Design. The event will be Thursday, Oct. 27 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Speight Auditorium.

News Briefs

State

Officials meeting in Vegas explain Dell's move to North Carolina

LAS VEGAS (AP) - North Carolina's Piedmont Triad offered the "whole package" of financial incentives, a central location, a ready work force and an eager political and business community, Dell computers executive Kip Thompson said Monday in outlining his company's decision to build its largest plant in the former manufacturing hub.

"They had all the factors come together," he said at a conference of economic development officials and real estate executives meeting in Las Vegas.

Texas- based Dell Inc. opened the plant earlier this month with plans to employ 700 people by the end of the year and 1,500 within five years. It's the company's third in the United States and its largest at more than 750,000 square feet.

Dell was aggressively courted by state and local officials wanting to bring high-tech jobs to a region hit by the downturn in textile and furniture manufacturing.

As part of the deal, the company received a \$318 million incentive package the largest in state history. State officials convened a special session of the Legislature to approve some \$200 million in tax credits.

Thompson said Dell had offers of similar incentive packages from other states. When asked if he would have considered the move to North

Carolina without the tax breaks, he said the financial incentives were a critical piece of the equation.

Thompson also said the area's proximity to many of Dell's customers was a factor, as well as a large pool of manufacturing workers in need of jobs.

The Piedmont Triad involves the twelve counties surrounding the cities of Winston-Salem and Greensboro. Don Kirkman, head of the Piedmont Triad Partnership, the economic development group that helped woo Dell to the region, said the

area already has begun feeling the economic effects of the computer manufacturing plant. Seven of Dell's suppliers have followed the company to area, and

spotlight on the region, he said. "We've had remarkable publicity. It validates our key message that the Piedmont Triad is an ideal location for any company that manufactures goods for distribution on the East

publicity from the move has put the

Coast market," he said. Kirkman said North Carolina should expect the company to generate more than \$743 million in tax revenue over the next 20 years.

National

After eight weeks, Louisiana oysters being harvested

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Louisiana oysters are being harvested again, although it may be another week or more before people can belly up to an oyster bar and order a dozen on the half-shell.

The beds in the eastern half of the state were tested and retested after Hurricane Katrina to ensure they were clean of chemicals or germs from the water that was pumped out of New Orleans or ran off of other areas.

Beds in west Louisiana were closed as a precaution when Hurricane Rita headed in late September.

Harvesting began in some areas on Saturday, and the entire state will probably be open in the next week

to 10 days, said Mike Voisin, owner of Motivatit Seafoods in Houma and chairman of the Louisiana Oyster Task Force.

"It's exciting," he said. "I was telling people last week that if we didn't get something soon, the harvesters would lose the calluses on their hands."

Just as restaurateurs face a shortage of shuckers, harvesters have to get their deckhands back. "A lot of them had evacuated," Voisin said.

He said there were probably 75 or 80 boats out Saturday about onefifth or less the usual number for this time of year.

Al Sunseri, owner of P&J Oyster Co., was able to slurp down some fat ones on Sunday, almost as they arrived at the French Quarter processing

"That was the first time I'd seen oysters since the storm," he said. "It was really a great treat to go ahead and open up a bunch and taste them." Acme Oyster House is serving fried oysters and is hoping to have the char-grilled and raw oysters in about a week, chief operating officer Glen Armantrout said.

"The fried oysters are from Texas," he said Monday. "Although they're very good, our customers have been asking for the Louisiana oysters."

World

U.S., France push for quick resolution demanding Syrian

cooperation in Lebanon probe UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The U.S. and France are pressing for quick adoption of a new U.N. resolution demanding Syria cooperate with an investigation into the assassination of Lebanon's former prime minister, but Russia is concerned about destabilizing the Mideast. Washington and Paris quickly joined

forces to back a report by German prosecutor Detlev Mehlis that found evidence of Syrian involvement in Rafik Hariri's Feb. 14 assassination and a lack of cooperation from Damascus.

Mehlis was scheduled to brief the U.N. Security Council Tuesday morning on his report. Lebanon and Syria have also asked to speak to the council, which is expected to start discussing a new resolution later in the week, though diplomats say no draft has yet been circulated.

The United States has intensified pressure on Syria following the report's release Thursday. President Bush said "serious pressure" must be applied against Damascus but that diplomacy must be given a chance before the United States takes any military action.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice urged Syria to drop its "nonchalant attitude" about the Mehlis report's findings and U.S. Ambassador John Bolton demanded that Syria cooperate with the investigation.

French Ambassador Jean-Marc de La Sabliere said the Security Council must use "its weight" to discover "the whole truth" about the Hariri assassination.

The Bush administration is talking about Monday as a target date for a resolution and a ministerial meeting of the Security Council to give its adoption added prominence. But Russia and China both veto-wielding members of the council don't appear in any hurry, and Moscow, which has close ties to Syria, would likely oppose sanctions or any reference to them.

Russia's Foreign Ministry spokesman Mikhail Kamynin warned in a statement Saturday that "the settlement of this problem should in no way lead to the emergence of a new hotbed of tension and further destabilization in the Middle East."

U.N. Secretary-General Annan has extended Mehlis' investigation until Dec. 15.

He reiterated Monday that the report was just the beginning of a process, and when Mehlis completes his work "the magistrates and the judges will have to do theirs."

The United States and France. who worked together on last year's resolution demanding the withdrawal of Syrian troops from Lebanon, have been sounding out council members on the elements of a new

France indicated Monday it would not support sanctions against Syria before Mehlis finished his investigation. Rice also indicated the United States might be willing to put off its push for sanctions.

What appears likely to emerge is a resolution demanding that Syria cooperate with the Mehlis investigation.

The Mehlis report accused key Syrian and Lebanese security officials of orchestrating the Feb. 14 bombing that killed Hariri and 20 others. Mehlis acknowledged that he deleted references implicating the brother and brother-in-law of Syrian President Bashar Assad because he didn't know the report would be made public and the allegations were not corroborated.

The report said Syria's cooperation in form but not substance "impeded the investigation and made it difficult to follow leads." To complete the probe, the Syrian government must fully cooperate with investigators, including by allowing Syrians to be interviewed alone outside Syria, it

Mehlis' findings caused an uproar in the region and brought swift denials from the Syrian government, which called it biased, politicized and an American plot to take over the region.

Health ministers, WHO experts, discuss bird flu prevention during convention in Canada

OTTAWA (AP) — World health ministers meeting in Canada to discuss strategies to fight the spread of bird flu emphasized Monday that preventing the disease from mutating into a deadly human virus was as important as developing new vaccines against it.

That said, some officials at the opening of a two-day conference on battling a potential flu pandemic were discussing whether they might have to break international patent regulations to produce generic versions of Tamiflu if it came down to saving their civilians.

"A suggestion that's being made by some countries is that there are countries that have the capacity to manufacture the vaccine, that we actually need to assist them with technology transfers," Canada's Health Minister Ujjal Dosanjh told a news conference. He said technology transfers was "a euphemism for loosening the patent laws."

Dosanjh was referring to recent statements by Indian authorities, who are weighing whether there is enough risk of bird flu spreading in their impoverished nation to invoke a compulsory licensing clause to lift Swiss pharmaceutical Roche's patent of Tamiflu, the coveted anti-flu drug considered by many as the only viable one that can fight bird flu.

The World Trade Organization in 2003 decided to allow governments to override patents during national health crises, though no member state has yet invoked the clause.

"It may not be resolved here; but there are countries out there that are saying they will defy patent protections and we couldn't be judgmental if people are dying," Dosanjh said.

World Health Organization Director General Lee Jong-Wook said the conference delegates were consider a proposal by Mexico for the wealthier nations to put aside 10 percent of their stockpiles of Tamiflu and other potential influenza drugs for poorer nations. He said some nations had suggested 5 percent was more in line with reality, but conceded some countries likely would horde drugs in the face of a true pandemic.

"In time, when there's a real need for Tamiflu, the basic instinct will be, `This is for our people,' and it's an unnatural act to share this precious small quantity of medicines with others," Lee said. That is why, he said: "It makes a lot of sense to try and put out the fire out there, rather than waiting for this wave to reach you."

Lee emphasized the need for transparency and immediate reporting of any cases of avian flu. China was widely criticized in the early stages of SARS for not going

public with its cases.

Dr. Jacques Diouf, head of the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization, said countries must not overlook the goal of tamping down bird flu in Southeast Asia while obsessing over the development of antiviral drugs.

As the world takes prudent measures to prepare for a major human pandemic, greater measures must be taken to stop this disease, in its tracks, at its source, in animals. This is very possible. It can be done," Diouf said. He said it would take more money to

make a dent in efforts to wrestle under control the highly pathogenic H5N1 virus, which is endemic in parts of Asia. He said 140 million chickens and ducks had been culled in Southeast Asian, costing those countries \$10 billion and devastating rural communities. Diouf suggested it would take \$1 bil-

under control the highly pathogenic H5N1 virus, which is endemic in parts of Asia. However, only \$25 million has been pledged.

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As the conference convened, European health officials were meeting in Copenhagen to review that continent's readiness for a possible human pandemic.

The deadly H5N1 strain of bird flu has been confirmed in Russia, Romania

and Turkey, and experts in Britain were trying to determine Monday whether six Croatian swans found last week had H5N1 a strain that scientists fear could mutate into a virus that would easily spread person-to-person.

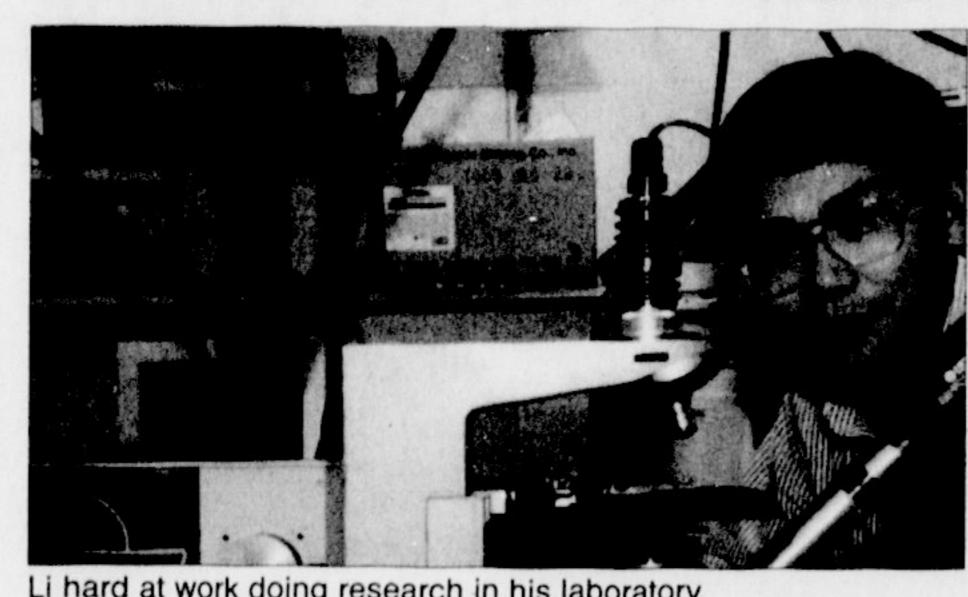
Though medical research has advanced tremendously since the Spanish flu of 1918, which claimed as many as 50 million lives worldwide, air travel and open borders make the threat of pandemic ominous.

Dr. David Nabarro, the U.N.'s point man on bird flu, caused a stir last month when he warned that a pandemic could kill anywhere from 5 million to 150 million people, prompting WHO to try to dampen fears by estimating 7.4 million deaths was a better forecast.

The bird flu remains the greatest threat in Southeast Asia, where the virus has killed more than 60 people since 2003, mostly poultry farmers and their relatives in Vietnam and Thailand. Indonesia and Cambodia have also suffered a combined seven deaths.

The latest death was reported Tuesday by Indonesia. Ministry of Health official Hariadi Wibisono said a 23-year-old man from West Java province died in late September and the death was confirmed as stemming from bird flu by a Hong Kong

Professors working to develop instruments to detect cancer



Li hard at work doing research in his laboratory.

Trapping living cells with laser beams

JOSHUA CONNER STAFF WRITER

ECU physicist Yong-qing Li and his colleagues have received \$24,000 of grant money from ECU's Division of Research and Graduate Studies to further study a new cancer cell detection technique.

Laser Tweezers Raman Spectroscopy, in layman's terms, isolates a living cell with an infrared laser beam while a Raman spectrometer identifies

the properties of the cell by the vibrations it emits.

Li and Thomas McConnell, professor of biology, will team up with John Wiley, pediatrics professor and Ted Bertrand, microbiology and immunology professor, both from the Brody School of Medicine, to develop a specialized instrument that will combine the functions of LTRS and the image forming capabilities of a microscopy.

"The long-term goal of this research project is to rapidly characterize and differentiate human normal, pre-malignant and tumor cells at single-cell

level, characterize and target chromosomal abnormalities at single chromosome level, including previously uncharacterized chromosomal translocations that lead to cancer," said Li.

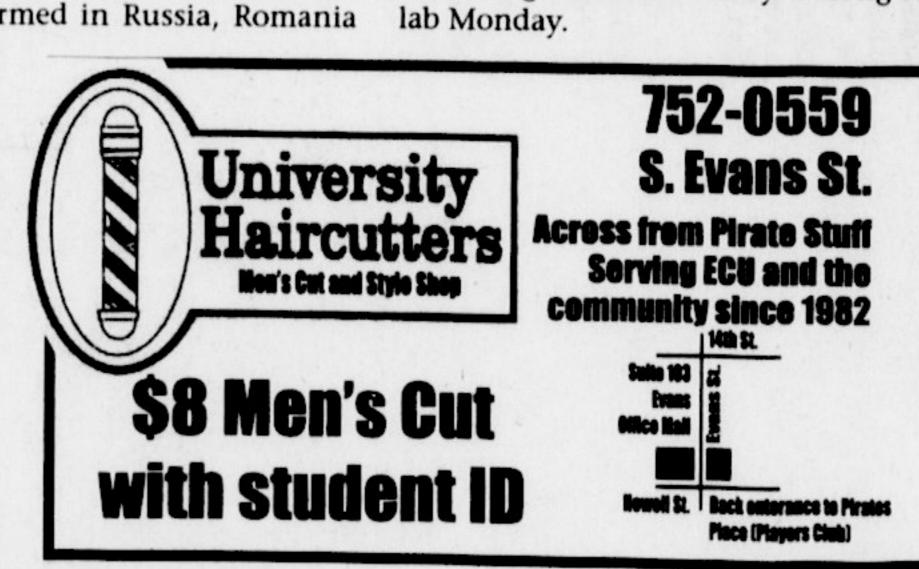
Li and Mumtaz Dinno, physig cist, developed the LTRS tech-& nique in 1999.

According to a 2002 Optics. org article, the first successful g test of LTRS was completed in 2002 when a research team led by Li successfully characterized red blood cells and distinguished between living and dead yeast cells.

While Li has been using the LTRS technique for a few years, he said he decided the technique could be used for cancer cell detection in 2004 and the research will impact the way doctors will be able to detect cancer.

"It will lead to a new approach to the rapid detection and diagnosis of various cancers and will provide a unique tool for the analysis of chromosome abnormalities," Li said.

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rick said he felt a personal tie to the civil rights icon: "She stood up by sitting down. I'm only standing here because of her."

Speaking in 1992, Mrs. Parks said history too often maintains "that my feet were hurting and I didn't know why I refused to stand up when they told me. But the real reason of my not standing up was I felt that I had a right to be treated as any other passenger. We had endured that kind of treatment for too long."

Her arrest triggered a 381day boycott of the bus system organized by a then little-known Baptist minister, the Rev. King, who later earned the Nobel Peace Prize for his work.

"At the time I was arrested I had no idea it would turn into this," she said 30 years later. "It was just a day like any other day. The only thing that made it significant was that the masses of the people joined in."

The Montgomery bus boycott, which came one year after the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark declaration that separate schools for blacks and whites were "inherently unequal," marked the start of the modern civil rights movement.

The movement culminated in the 1964 federal Civil Rights Act, which banned racial discrimination in public accommodations.

After taking her public stand for civil rights, Mrs. Parks had trouble finding work in Alabama. Amid threats and harassment, she and her husband, Raymond, moved to Detroit in 1957. She worked as an aide in Conyers' Detroit office from 1965 until retiring Sept. 30, 1988. Raymond Parks died in 1977.

"Rosa Parks: My Story," was published in February 1992. In 1994 she brought out "Quiet Strength: The Faith, the Hope and the Heart of a Woman Who Changed a Nation," and in 1996 a collection of letters called "Dear Mrs. Parks: A Dialogue With Today's Youth."

She was among the civil rights leaders who addressed the Million Man March in October 1995.

In 1996, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom,

awarded to civilians making outstanding contributions to American life. In 1999, she was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, the nation's highest civilian honor.

Mrs. Parks received dozens of other awards, ranging from induction into the Alabama Academy of Honor to an NAACP Image Award for her 1999 appearance on CBS' "Touched by an Angel."

She was born Rosa Louise McCauley on Feb. 4, 1913, in Tuskegee, Ala. Family illness interrupted her high school education, but after she married Raymond Parks in 1932, he encouraged her and she earned a diploma in 1934. He also inspired her to become involved in the NAACP.

Mrs. Parks was a beloved aunt

"She wasn't the mother of the civil rights movement to me," Susan McCauley, one of her nieces, said last year. "She was the woman I wanted to become."

Her later years were not without difficult moments. In 1994, her home was invaded by a 28-year-old man who beat her and took \$53. She was treated at a hospital and released. The man, Joseph Skipper, pleaded guilty, blaming the crime on his drug problem.

Mrs. Parks rarely was seen in public after 2001, when she canceled a meeting with President Bush. In court papers filed in September 2004 in connection with her lawsuit over the rap group OutKast's song "Rosa Parks," her lawyers said she had dementia.

After losing the OutKast lawsuit, Reed, her attorney, said Mrs. Parks "has once again suffered the pains of exploitation." A later suit against OutKast's record company was settled out of court.

At a celebration in her honor that same year, she said: "I am leaving this legacy to all of you ... to bring peace, justice, equality, love and a fulfillment of what our lives should be. Without vision, the people will perish, and without courage and inspiration, dreams will die the dream of freedom and peace."

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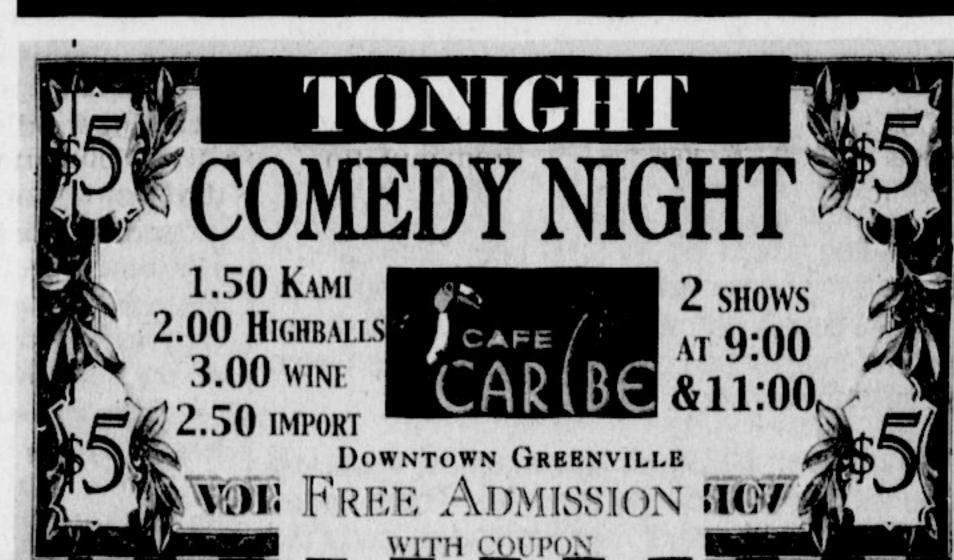
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The other is suicide of abandonment.

"[People are] so alone and not touched by any human being, they'd simply rather be dead," Hauerwas said.

Hauerwas not only explained loneliness as a cause of suicide but also as an emotion many chronically ill patients feel in the hospital.

"I think what people fear the most about death is being alone," Hauerwas said.

People don't like being around people who are dying.
In efforts not to fear death,

Christians placetheirfaith inhope.
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"[They believe they are] preachers of the word who have been given their story," Hauerwas said.

The only similarity between Christians and non-Christians is the knowledge of death.

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"We're all going to be dead one day, which again creates a terrible fear about dying," Hau-

In the broad scheme of things, Hauerwas said Americans are not Christians. Many Americans who call themselves Christians have failed to understand the true concepts of the Bible.

"They've failed to understand in what way we've got a problem with war and in what way we've got a problem with freedom," Hauerwas said.

In the sense that we've been given too much freedom, Hauerwas also said Americans are more concerned with money and wealth, whereas the gospels say if people had too much money, there was a problem.

Americans fear death and the consequences of how they lived on earth, but Hauerwas explained that Christians don't fear death – they fear God and living a life unworthy of Him while on earth.

Americans yearn for longer lives because they don't want to leave behind what they have earned on earth. However, in order to enter heaven, Hauerwas said God wants Christians to understand they must first fear and worship Him before conforming to any form of modernization or freedom.

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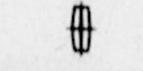
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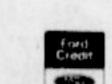
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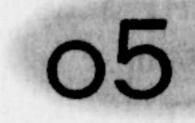
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My Random Column

Driving in Greenville 101

It came to my attention yesterday while driving in the rain that we needed to be reminded of the rules that we learned so long ago when we first took our driving tests.

Did you know that it is a law in NC that if you have your windshield wipers on, you must have your lights on? I would suggest that even if you don't think it is necessary for you to have your lights on during the day, that when it is raining, keep them on. If you have them on, chances are that car that wanted to be in your lane at the same time you were in it might see you. Also, as you know rain reduces visibility and greatly increases your risk for hydroplaning. If you are to hydroplane, take your foot off the gas and resist the instinct to break. Keeping the steering wheel straight and letting the car slow down on its own will allow the tires to grip the road again and not go speeding off of the road or into another car.

Other things that are good to remember in Greenville are that you have to yield to pedestrians, railroad rules, where not to park, traffic signals, what to do when you meet an emergency vehicle on the road and other things we may have forgotten.

On campus especially, giving pedestrians the rightof-way is important. At intersections with or without crosswalks, vehicles must yield. But on the other hand, pedestrians are supposed to obey the same signal as drivers when crossing at a light. Now I know some fools like to walk out in the middle of the road without looking, but if you are driving anywhere near campus just be careful of them.

l absolutely hate the Greenville trains, and get stopped by them almost every Tuesday and Thursday. But when you happen to be halted by those red flashing lights, you have to stop. Don't try to speed up to pass over the tracks, that is just stupid. If you do happen to make it over, then you were lucky, but you may not end up as lucky the next time. When the train is done on the tracks, wait until the red lights have completely stopped flashing. Also make sure you remember that some vehicles do have to stop at the tracks even if there is no train, so if you are behind one of them just slow down and be patient.

If you hear a siren or see flashing lights from an emergency vehicle, pull over to the right. There is no sense in blocking the way of them for any reason. If you needed their assistance and you were stuck in the back of the ambulance because people couldn't pull over to let you pass, you wouldn't like it much now would you?

I know on streets around campus, there are those nice signs that say "No Parking." They aren't there as a joke, and you will be towed. If you are parked too close (25 feet or less) from an intersection, unless otherwise marked, you can get a ticket too. Driveways and intersections are a definite thing to take into consideration when parking. You will be towed or ticketed which would have been eliminated it you had not parked where you weren't suppose to. There is usually yellow or red paint of the curb, but most of the places I have seen, it has been worn off. Just pay attention.

Driving down 4th Street is dangerous, especially around lunchtime during the week. There are so many intersections that have flashing yellow or red signals or stop signs that people go crazy. Last week I was almost hit twice from the crazy drivers. A flashing red signal means the same thing as a stop sign, STOP! Flashing yellow signals mean to proceed with caution, not race down the road like a speed demon.

These are just a few of my driving tidbits that will make you a better, more road friendly person driving around Greenville. Just pay attention and be patient, you aren't any more important then anyone else. Driving is a huge responsibility and a privilege, so treat it as such.

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Opinion Columnist

The anti-abortion line from my view

My thoughts on the abortion debate.

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I went home over Fall Break and spent most of my time sleeping or reading. I did help my parents move furniture and clothes around, and I helped my dad install some new shelves in one of the rooms of our house. To do the latter, I had to drive my dad to Lowe's and Home Depot to pick up the materials. For those of you familiar with Greensboro, NC, I live just off of Battleground Avenue near Friendly Avenue, and the Lowe's and Home Depot that my dad I went to are very close by. We had just finished going to Home Depot, driving down Battleground Avenue towards Lowe's, when I saw something I thought I would never see in my home town: an anti-abortion demonstration that seemed to extend all the way down the street.

They carried sings that said things like "Abortion Hurts Women and Kills Children" and "Adoption is Always an Option" and other things to that affect. While some may automatically be in agreement or disagreement when they see something like this, I was just surprised this was happening. Maybe it's just hometown-syndrome, but I just never thought I would see an anti-abortion rally in Greensboro of all places.

There were all kinds of people there: men, women, young, old, white, black, Hispanic, Asian, short, tall, big, small, etc. In some ways it was nice to see a peaceful display of people exercising First Amendment rights, but I was a little disheartened to see children holding signs and standing alongside their parents. I just couldn't help but wonder if those kids actually understood what

they were doing, or if their parents were just imposing their beliefs on their children.

This did however give me the opportunity to reflect on my own feelings about abortion. This is what I came-up with.

If a friend asks you just out of the blue what you think about abortion, get rid of that friend. Because I seriously doubt a real friend would ask you such a mentally and emotionally difficult question at random like that. When I'm asked about my feelings about abortion, get the same feeling I might get if someone asked me how I would rather die. It's just not one of those questions you would want to answer.

Our society makes the abortion issue out to be a black-and-white issue, where you're either for it or against it. In reality, it can be such a circumstantial situation.

The options available for people with "unwanted babies" aren't that great either. You can have the abortion or endure the difficulty of pregnancy, have the baby and give it up for adoption. That's it. Maybe, aside from religion and politics, it is because we only have two choices that this has become such a black-and-white issue.

Where is the third option? Is science even working toward finding a way to make everyone happy? As science-fiction fan and aspiring science-fiction writer, I can't help but think some form of technology could exist in the future to make both sides happy. Like some kind of a method where an unborn fetus can be safely extracted and raised in an artificial womb. While this may not even be possible in the distant future, the fact is that it doesn't appear that efforts are being made to create more options that benefit the mother, the child and

anyone else involved.

The problem with pro-abortion and anti-abortion activists is that they look at different times. Pro-abortion activists are worried about people in the now, and anti-abortion activists are worried about people in the future. "Who" and "when" are great things to think about, but I think the real questions to think about are "why," "what," and "how." As in, "Why did I arrive at this situation?," "What did I do that brought me to this situation I'm in?" and "How did I get into this situation?"

It seems to me that people only really think about abortion when they are staring at in right in the face, probably as the result of some regrettable decision. It is our behavior in the now that affects the decisions we make maybe not tomorrow or even the day after, but eventually are decisions we have to make or may be unable to make.

Remember Newton's third law? Every action has an equal and opposite reaction. Until people learn that what they do, no matter how insignificant it may seem at the time, has a result that may be a burden or a blessing to themselves or others abortions will continue to be a necessary evil in our society.

My final word on abortion is this: I think it is sad when a child dies, even if that child's status of being a child is questioned. However I can't hold malice and ill feelings towards those who feel that they can't or don't want to bring a child into this world. Everyone's circumstances are different, and I just hope that the decision they make has results they can be satisfied with. I just wish that those who can have children would be more willing to help those that can't have children. Children are the future, and in order to create a good future we need to create a good past for them to learn from.

Pirate Rant

To the Friday morning news guy on 91.3. You're funny—I want to be your groupie.

Leave it to ECU to schedule the Career Fair and Graduate School Fair on the SAME DAY at the SAME TIME. So much for exploring your options.

Hooray for anatomy practicals! I now completely hate the human body! Yay!

So just because I can tie a bow tie and rock a pink shirt any day of the week don't pick fun of me. I listen to sweet 80s music and chill hard like my fraternity brother Jimmy Buffet but you still pick fun.

To all you liberals out there with your John Kerry stickers STILL on your car. The election is over, and its 2005. The data on your automobile is expired and rubbish.

To the group in Destination 360 on Tuesdays and Thursdays playing card games: there are other people trying to enjoy their food and talk with their friends. I'm glad you're having fun and all, but can you please respect the rest of us?

Before you complain about what bus drivers do, maybe you should try and sit behind the wheel. First of all, if we leave you, it's because we didn't see you. If a bus sits and waits, it's because they were running extra early. And, the speed limit on College Hill is 15 mph - if this bus is making you late, maybe you should consider walking.

Thank you for NOTHING Armark. Your food is only a rental and you have kept this campus under your control by not allowing great restaurants and other food to come here.

To the girl who walked past me on Wednesdayandtoldmetosmile, thanks! You're right, it really isn't that bad! Its people like you who make me smile!

This is to the tall blonde chick that is in the library a lot and likes to play Super Collapse II. You are so classically beautiful, graceful and everything I could imagine a girl could be. I wish I could be the guy that makes you laugh, but I am too shy to say anything. I just wanted you to know that seeing your smile brightens my day.

do not fit any of those descriptions. So save your money and buy something more descriptive of the true you. You know, if I wanted a running

Newsflash! If you have to wear a shirt

that says "Very Sexy" or "I'm Cute" you

count of how many minutes were left in class, I'd look at my watch.

Dear Hobbit-Feet, please put your shoes back on. Thanks.

To my biology lab teacher: just because you just graduated two years ago doesn't give you the right to be the worst teacher at ECU

Don't you hate when people walk around campus like they are grown men and have never worked a job in their lives? Look students, if you don't work then don't go around talking about how much stuff you got. Young men of ECU grow up and start being real men, don't live off your parent's success.

I'm going as a pirate. Eye patch, ban-dana, sword, might do the hula for a sorority, see what happens. I will be drinking a lot of rum, which I know.

George Carlin! New standup coming November to HBO! Tune in if you hate Bush. Youknowhe's going to destroy him.

Look, I'm not gay. I'm not. The

sight of a naked man repulses me. But, if I was gay... Orlando Bloom, all right? That's all I'm saying. There were a few more assaults and robberies around campus lately. Maybe the police should worry less about alcohol

and more about protecting students.

Does my professor have to tell me - in front of the whole class - that I did disappointing work on my exam? Awesome.

ATTENTION STUDENTS: ECU Transit is not your personal taxi. Our routes operate on a schedule, which means sometimes we leave as soon as we stop and other times we leave five minutes later.

The majority of the interior of the art building is nearly repulsive. Everything from cobwebs, crap growing in broken lockers, filthy windows, to a lack of hand soap! I am truly disappointed. Funding could be better spent... new lockers, a good interior pressure wash, fresh paint, working easels and stools... ECU should be proud - most of the other buildings are pleasant to look at inside and out.

Guess who has a better overall record in football than all the ACC teams in NC? GO PIRATES!

How does someone get robbed outside of Boli's? What did all the cops have their faces buried in the pizza to miss a sawed off shotgun?

Why do I have to pay more for the green bubble sheets? They are smaller than the blue ones yet cost more.

To the people who claim to love classic rock and their two favorite songs are "Stairway to Heaven" and "Free Bird"... turn off the radio and go to a record store... you don't know what good music is ... (This is dedicated to the guy at Ham's open mic night that kept screaming for the musicians to play the most mainstream classic rock songs ever.)

To the girls running around the drunk bus Friday night screaming "my roommate's in jail"... you were way too drunk to function... stay home next time you decide to consume that much alcohol!

Can I have my earring back? If I knew I was going to lose it, I wouldn't have wasted my time going home with you.

Aww... now that Cancun is destroyed, where are all the sorority girls going to go for spring break? "Girl's gone wild" is going be so mad!

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

In an Oct. 11 Letter to the Editor, The College of Education's Jamin Carson answers the question "Could animal rights activists be racist?" in the affirmative, on the grounds that "they hate all people." Carson believes that if I concede that animals have rights, when doing so is contrary to the interests of people, I must be doing so because I hate people. But Carson affords rights to other people, even when respecting their rights is contrary to his own interests. I suppose it follows that Carson hates himself. Carson makes the surprising claim

that if animals have rights, "[w]e could

not eat vegetation because doing so would shorten the supply of food that herbivores and omnivores depend on for their lives." By parity of reasoning, it follows that if other humans have rights, I could not eat vegetation, because I would be shortening the supply of vegetation for other people.

He also says "[a]nimals have no rights because rights are applicable only to beings of reason and choice. Animals have neither." Apparently Carson doesn't believe that infants or the severely mentally disabled have rights, either (since they don't reason). Hey, if they had rights, then we couldn't eat baby sandwiches, or make shoes

from the skin of the severely mentally disabled. You'd have to really hate people to deprive us of these goods. Carson says further that it does not

follow from this that animals should suffer needlessly. True, but if we should kill animals for their meat and skin in such a way as to minimize their suffering, isn't it because these beings do in fact have some moral status, despite their lack of rationality? If not, then it's hard to see why it would be wrong to make them suffer, needlessly or not.

John Collins **Assistant Professor** Department of Philosophy





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Horoscope:

Aries - You'll be feeling frisky, but it's not a good time to gamble. Losses, both emotional and financial, could result.

Taurus - You may be in a hurry, but don't get frantic. You still have time to think before taking action.

Gemini - There's plenty of work in the coming year, maybe more than you want. Don't complain, it's a good thing.

Cancer - The nicest items usually cost more unless you find a killer sale. There is a way to bring more money in. Use your experience.

Leo - In life, things don't always fit neatly into the little boxes we've prepared for them. Watch out for square pegs in round holes.

Virgo - One of the interesting things

about learning is that sometimes you find out what you thought is incorrect. Be careful that could happen. Libra - Gather with friends to start

developing a method for success.

Outline your goals and don't be afraid if there's not enough money yet. Scorpio - Choose your words carefully when addressing important

than not respectful enough. Sagittarius - The path ahead looks

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clear, but it's not. It's booby trapped. Proceed, but with caution. Capricorn - Friends offer advice on

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Aquarius - It's hard to get a new idea

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Don't leave the Playstation to see 'Doom'

Yet another video game adaptation

TREVOR KIRKENDALL STAFF WRITER

Remember growing up and going to your friend's house to play video games? Remember when he wouldn't let you play and you were just forced to sit there and watch? Watching Hollywood's latest video game adaptation, Doom, is kind of like that.

Doom stars The Rock as Sarge and Karl Urban as John Grimm, two Marines in the near future who are deployed to Mars, along with the rest of their team, to solve a small problem concerning scientists gone missing.

Once they get there, we meet Grimm's sister Sam (Rosamund Pike) who informs them of an archeological dig they have been conducting. They found a species that contained an extra chromosome not found in humans. She figures that if they could inject humans with that extra chromosome, there would be no more sickness.

The only problem is that the extra chromosome turns humans into killer monsters who go around biting people, transforming them into zombies and eventually monsters as well.

One by one, these monsters begin to take out Sarge's entire team. Now, it's a war against Marine and monster.

Yeah, I thought it sounded dumb too. In recent years, Hollywood has gotten carried away with adapting video games. This is where the money lies and that is obviously the reason behind so many adaptations already - and there are plenty more to come.

Directed by Andrzej Bartkowiak, Doom does take one small piece of creativeness - filming one short segment in the first person shooter mode in which the game is played. This happens toward the end and is short lived, but interesting to see on the big screen. I'm sure future adaptations, like the anticipated adaptation of Halo, will do the same thing.

It will only be impressive to see on the big screen, but I'm not sure what to tell you. This movie is one of the absolute worst abominations to hit theaters this year. Going to it to see this one scene would be a waste of your time and money. Normally, I wouldn't focus

too much time on screenwriting and acting for something that is nothing more than a simple video game adaptation. But when these things are ranked among the year's worst, I need to.

I'm not too sure what The

Rock wants to do with his career. This role fits him well, but he had to have been laughing out loud while reading the screenplay to this film. His lines (including one in which he uses the famous Marine slogan "Semper Fi") are examples in how not to write dialogue in films. He shows no dedication for anything he is doing in this film. It's almost like someone forced him to sign the contract to this film. If I were him, I'd fire my agent immediately.

Doom is the worst movie that has come out all year. Plain and simple. I don't know if there is any other way I can stress that. The average viewer, upon leaving the theater, would probably have rather watched their friend play video games all afternoon. And the sad thing is, there's more to come of these adaptations. Spyhunter, Halo, Hitman, Splinter Cell and Blood-Rayne and are on the table to be video game adaptations. Let's hope that they spare us and not try to adapt something like Madden to the big screen.

Lesson learned: In the future, spare yourself the agony and stick with the video game that you already have at home.

Grade: F

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Wrestler-turned-actor "The Rock" plays a main character in the film.

Oscar happenings possible in the 'North Country'

A powerful new film from director Niki Caro

TREVOR KIRKENDALL STAFF WRITER

Every time we apply and get a new job somewhere, one of the sheets of paper everyone has to sign is an acknowledgement of a sexual harassment policy. We know what it is and what happens to us if we are accused of the action. This is because of the first sexual harassment class action lawsuit

case Jenson v. Eveleth Mines. Niki Caro's North Country is a fictionalized story which is very loosely based on the events sur-

rounding that case. North Country takes place in the late 1980s in the mining towns of Minnesota. Academy Award winner Charlize Theron stars in yet another Oscar-worthy performance as Josey Aimes. Josey has just left her abusive husband and taken her two children (Elle Peterson and Timothy Curtis) with her to her parent's (Richard Jenkins and Sissy Spacek) home. Her father Hank attempts to put her in her place, saying that she needs to grow up and resolve their differences with words. He has the audacity to ask her if the reason she was beaten was because he caught her with another man, as if that reaction was acceptable. Her mother Alice supports her to some extent.

Josey Aimes, played by Charlize Theron, addresses union members.

shop, Josey runs into an old friend named Glory (Frances McDormand) who informs her that she could make six times the amount of money she's making now by working at the iron mines. To

her father's dismay, she accepts. The men of the mines outnumber the women there 30 to one. They don't believe that working in the mines is a woman's job. Through many blatant acts of harassment, the men make their point known to these women that they are not wanted. An old high school friend of Josey's (Jeremy Renner) is assigned as her boss and gives her a lot of grief.

Things get worse. Josey and other women are seriously abused verbally by the men. Physical harm also occurs

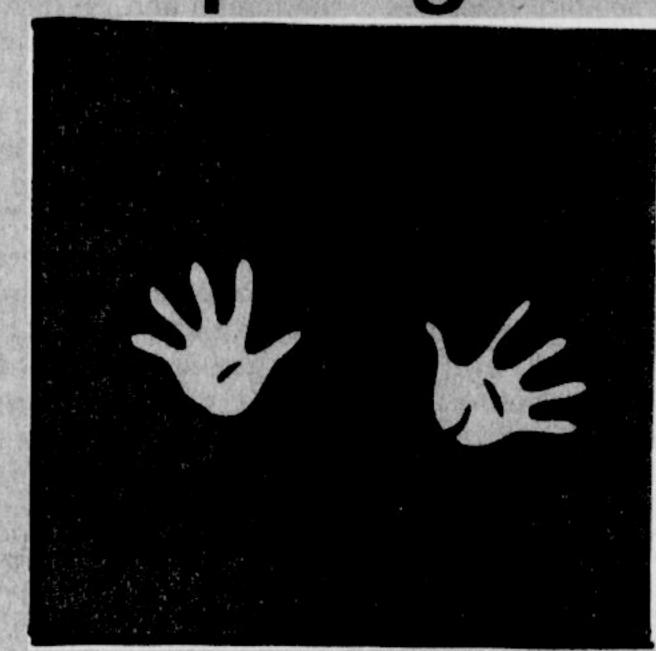
when one woman, Shelly (Michelle Monaghan), is tipped over while in a port-a-john.

Josey tries to make her complaints known to the head of the company, but she is shot down when they tell her to either quit now or tough it out. Josey gets the idea to sue the entire company for allowing this type of harassment to happen. She takes her case to Bill White (Woody Harrelson), a former New York lawyer and friend of Glory's husband (Sean Bean).

North Country may come across on the surface as nothing more than a Lifetime movie. This, however, is not the case. The movies you see on Lifetime are normally filled with

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TEC's Masterpiece Spotlight



The Libertines move 'Up the Bracket'

GARY MCCABE STAFF WRITER

It's funny what British music translates to American audiences and what doesn't. I mean, there can be no God if somehow the Spice Girls can become a worldwide sensation and top American music charts while the amazing English band the Libertines are a mere footnote to the Kate Moss cocaine story in this country. I suppose had they stuck around a bit longer maybe that wouldn't

have been the case, though. The story of the Libertines is short. In 2002, the band released their first single "What a Waster," which was adored by fans and deplored by the press for its blatant use of profanity and informality. The adoration was warranted - "What a Waster" is classic British punk with a slight pop edge which would compare to legendary bands like the Jam, the Sex Pistols and the Clash quite favorably. With their first single doing well on the charts and their second successful single ("Up the Bracket") only building the band's notoriety, the band released their debut full-length album titled Up the Bracket.

Up the Bracket was released in October 2002 and was produced by Mick Jones, the famed guitarist of the Clash. With its distorted, bouncy guitar licks, slurred vocals and borderline profound lyrics, Up the Bracket is the brainchild of Libertines co-frontmen Pete Doherty and Carl Barât.

Describing the Libertines' sound to the uninitiated is actually pretty easy: the Libertines sound like the older, wiser and more hardened cousins of the Strokes who grew up on the other side of town and thus have a much darker, grim disposition. Oh and they're a lot better than the Strokes too, despite being disregarded as the "British Strokes" by a lot of American rock critics.

The album bursts open with "Vertigo," a drum tour-de-force and oddly jazzy little ditty, and

quickly moves to "Death on the Stairs," featuring a wicked, circular guitar riff and a nihilistic attitude. Come for the guitar work and stick around for the painfully perfect vocals of Doherty as he begs "please kill me/oh baby, don't kill me." Not only is it the best track on the album - it's the most addictive, most amazing song I've heard in a long time.

"Horror Show," "The Boy Looked at Johnny," "I Get Along" and "Begging" are fairly straight-forward guitar heavy romps fueled by Doherty and Barât's uncanny ability to make a rock song with wonderfully poetic and poignant lyrics.

Like a good Beatles record and unlike a good Strokes record, the Libertines are unafraid to deviate from the script at times and use a variety of vastly different styles on an album. The end of "Boys in the Band," is a brash, selfgratifying ode to themselves, the chorus sounds more like a drinking song than a punk song. The Beatle-esque "Radio America" is a vast departure - acoustic guitars and subdued drums, it's nearly a folk song. "The Good Ole' Days" is similar until the band wakes up with some scorching guitar work.

Of course, the band knows their bread-and-butter and does it well. "Time for Heroes," "Up the Bracket" and "What a Waster" are definitive Libertines works: raw, genuinely enjoyable rock 'n' roll music with the swagger of band who's been doing it for years. Only this was their first crack at it.

Unfortunately, the band broke up in 2004 following turmoil in the band stemming from Doherty's crippling addiction to crack-cocaine. The band released another album following Up the Bracket but sadly you can hear the toll which the drugs and success had taken on the band. The remaining members have all found new projects including Doherty's babyshambles, which has an album due in November. If it's half as good as his work on Up the Bracket, you may want to check it out.

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While working at a beauty Franz Ferdinand's second CD



Lead singer and guitarist of Franz Ferdinand Alex Kapranos performs.

New CD from the Scottish disco-rock band

GARY MCCABE STAFF WRITER

It's been an up-and-down year in terms of new albums from the musical heavyweights this year. Sure, there have been a handful of amazing albumsnamely Weezer's Make Believe,

The White Stripes' Get Behind Me, Satan and Kanye West's Late Registration - but this year has had more than its share of bad albums. Face it, the new Audioslave

record is terrible. Nine Inch Nails' With Teeth is so trite and unmoving. Oh and don't get me started on the new Foo Fighters' record. Actually, I'll say it: how can a band be that successful making such generic, soulless rock 'n' roll? In Your Honor is so bad that

I actually liked. So I had some trepidation

it ruined for me their songs that

when I read in early summer that Scottish disco-rock band Franz Ferdinand were busy preparing their second album for a fall release so close to their debut last year.

Here's a little back information on the band because, quite frankly, they're pretty obscure and I'm pretty sure a lot of people have never heard of them - wait, let me double check my facts - nevermind. If you've never heard of Franz Ferdinand and their smash hit "Take Me Out," then you must not own a radio nor have you walked past one in the past 15 months because radio stations can't seem to go 4.7 seconds without spinning it.

That's why I was afraid to hear the new album You Could Have it So Much Better. "Take Me Out" caught on so fast and Franz became so critically-lauded and popular that they couldn't possibly live up to their hype - that after "Take Me Out"-fever died down, the band sadly would have the fate of every other one-hit wonder in history. I mean, the band does have

all the makings of a one-hit wonder: off-beat personalities, a peculiar band name, an insanely catchy first single and an uncon-

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Taiwan is only 4.2 inches long.

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cheesy acting and corny dialogue. There are no elements of this so-called cheese found anywhere in Michael Sietzman's screenplay. The story line and the way in which the issues at hand escalate are written in a delicate manner. He doesn't start out with heartbreaking scenes of harassment early on. He saves the most emotionally charged scenes for the end.

North Country does have some of the most gut-wrenching and heartbreaking scenes I've seen in any movie this year. This is mostly due the outstanding role played by Charlize Theron. She embodies the trauma her character was going through. We see her strength clear as day as she attempts to tough it out in her job. She needs the money to feed her kids and eventually move out of her parents' house.

The story doesn't just focus on her either. We also see strong supporting performances in the subplots that add a lot of depth to the overall film. The stron-

gest supporting performance comes from Oscar winner Frances McDormand. She's a little more hard-surfaced as opposed to Josey- the men don't bother her as much. Sean Bean, who plays Glory's husband, is also strong in his role. In a town where making fun of women in the work place is an everyday occurrence, Bean's character makes it a point to care for his wife. We get the impression that he would do anything for her. Richard Jenkins, who plays Hank Aimes, also has several powerful scenes. I really liked the way his role was written into the film. His conscience changes on him throughout the film and he conveys this very well using facial expressions and little to no dialogue.

Directed by Niki Caro, who directed the outstanding film Whale Rider in 2003, North Country is about as inspirational as films get. Caro approached this film from a much different angle than any male director would have. The men do look like the

bad guys here, but in all good reasons. She doesn't make them look as evil as a comic book villain, but makes them look like true villains that we brush shoulders with in our everyday lives.

Although the ending is somewhat unpolished, North Country is a mesmerizing display of emotion that hasn't been captured in cinema all year long. It has the appearance of a film that was made for just Oscar consideration, but is still one of the most superb films of the year. The most shocking thing about this is that all this action takes place in the late 1980s. It's hard to imagine that this type of treatment was acceptable in the work environment only 20 years ago. Today, we have a standard of how everyone is supposed to act on the job. This film was for the woman who made the case important.

Grade: A+

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ventional song style. I didn't want to see that happen to Franz Ferdinand. I didn't want them to become the next Dexy's Midnight Runners – their debut was just too good to see them relegated to that fate.

I waited for the follow-up and when I bought the album on Oct.

4, all my fears were put to rest by the first song alone. The first song is "The Fallen" and it trumps almost any song on Franz's debut. Guitarists Alex Kapranos and Nick McCarthy sling knockout riffs back and forth at each other over a deliriously frantic hook. It's not a vast departure from the first album – but so what?

The best moments of You Could Have it So Much Better are when Franz does what it does best: funky, disco-slick rock 'n' roll. The second track and the first single off the album, "Do You Want To," is a boisterous romp.

A handful of songs on the album are the same way – hookheavy and so fun and bouncy that it's nearly dance music. "Outsiders," "This Boy" and the titular track are living proof that the band knows how to make more fun, original rhythms with just two guitars, a bass, drums and a crooning howl than any other band of this generation.

If anything, the only prob-



Lead singer Alex Kapranos, drummer Paul Thomson and bass guitarist Nick McCarth performing at Madison Square Garden.

lem I can find with the album is that sometimes Franz tries to pack too much into their songs. Two tracks in particular, "Well That Was Easy" and "Evil and a Heathen" have dramatic shifts in the tempo and rhythm – intentionally – but the songs would work better if they took the various rhythms and broke them up into their own songs instead of one huge conglomerate. That's a minor detail, though.

It's not all effervescent guitarpop-rock on the album and
sometimes Franz gets downright gloomy. "Eleanor Put Your
Boots On" is a moving pianodriven tune that shows off the
band's more sensitive side (and
Kapranos' Paul McCartney-like
vocals). Franz's slower tunes
("Eleanor," "Walk Away" and
"Fade Together") are placed per-

fectly on the album giving it the perfect formula for a follow-up.

Franz got it right with You Could Have it So Much Better. They gave their fans enough of what they already wanted and tweaked it ever so slightly meanwhile branching out to show what they're truly capable of. Most bands can't win on the second record. If it's too similar to the first, they lose. If it's too different, they lose. Franz found the formula which broke the "sophomore slump." I know every other rock critic in the world has said it but here it goes: You can't have it much better than You Could Have It So Much Better.

Grade: B+

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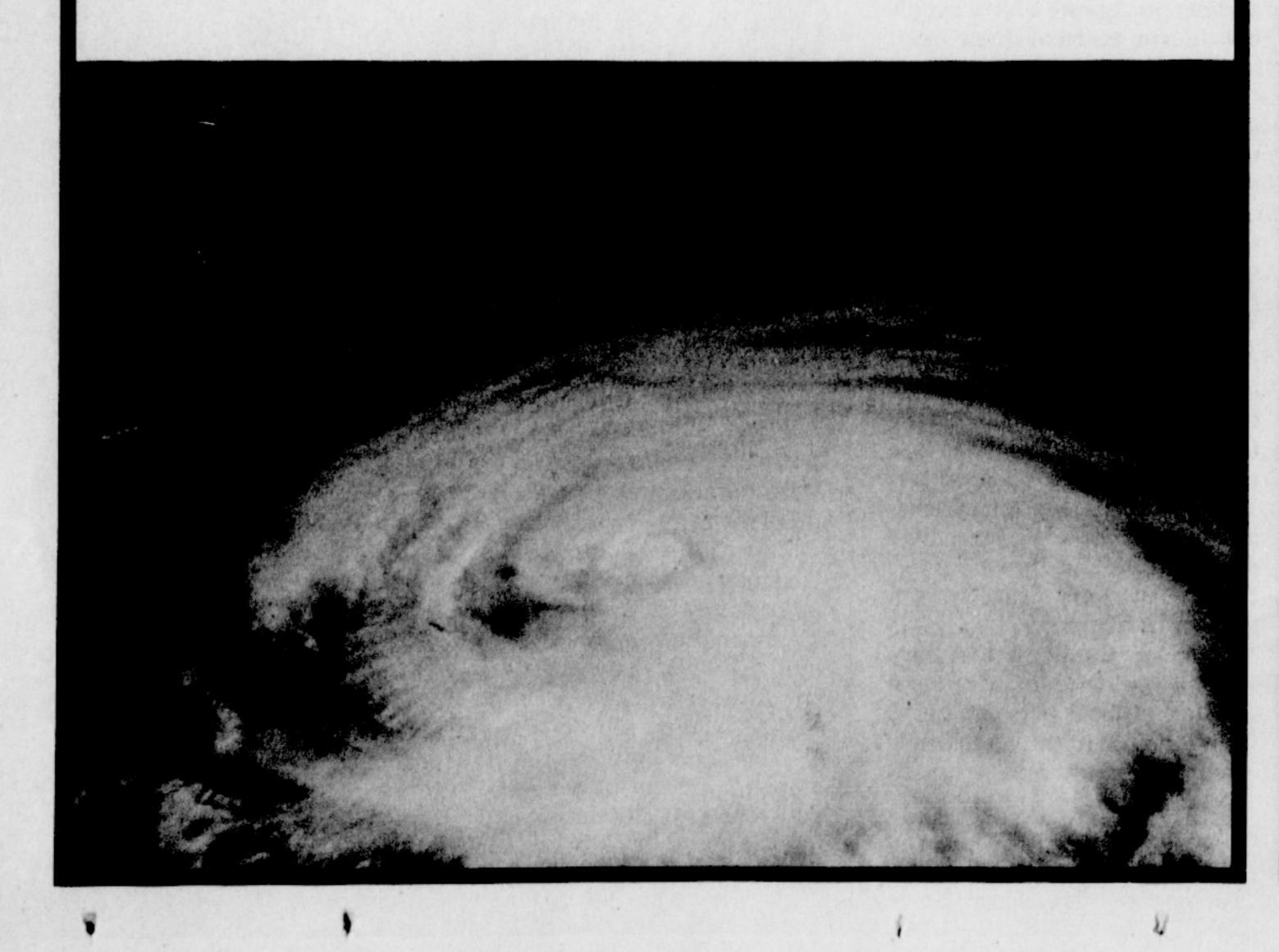
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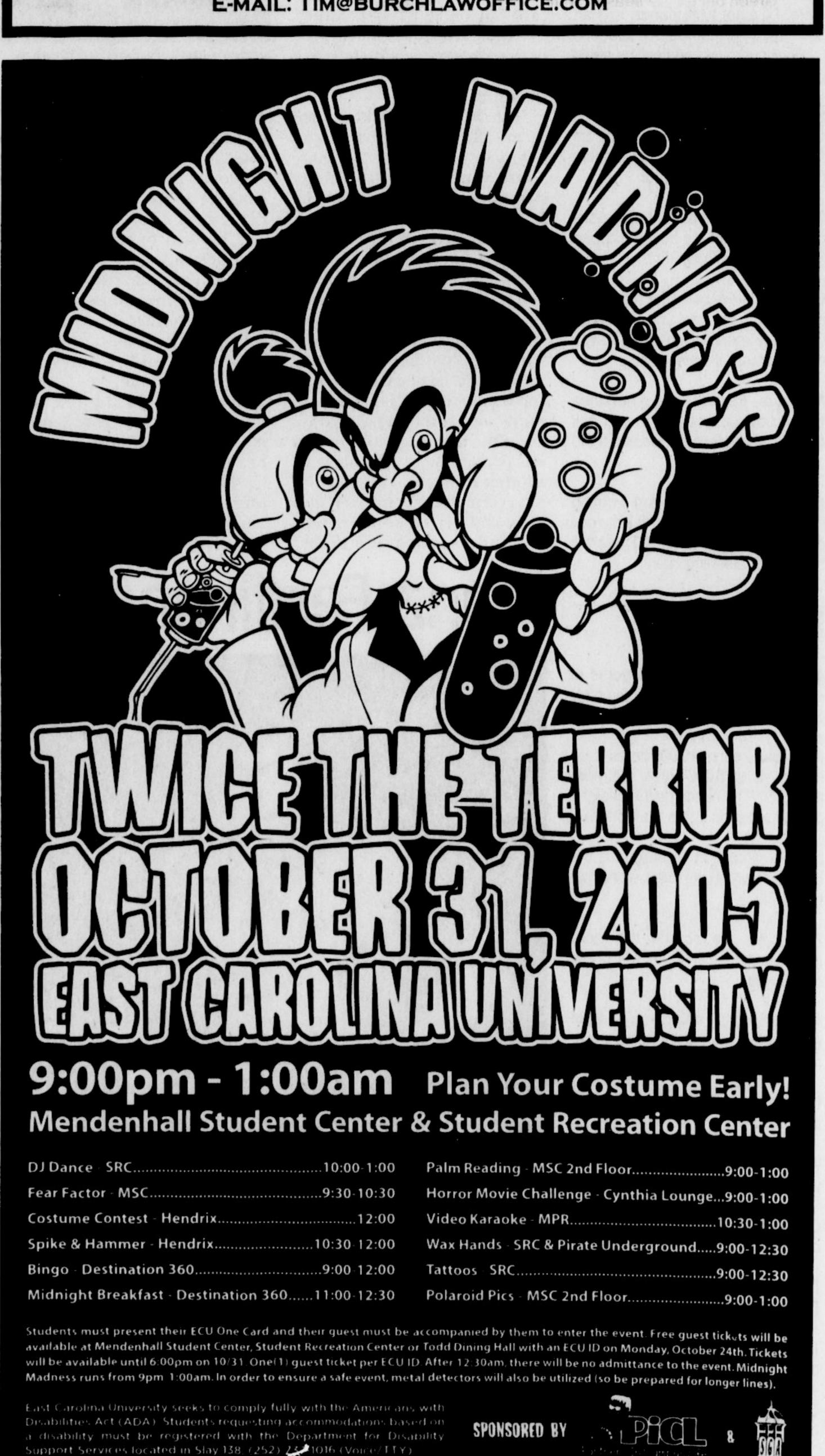
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Sports Briefs

Homestead Speedway suffers hurricane damage

Homestead-Miami Speedway suffered "significant damage" to light poles, the grandstands, catch fencing and the garage suites during Hurricane Wilma. But the necessary repairs are expected to be completed in time for the speedway's biggest event, NASCAR's Ford Championship Weekend that runs Nov. 18-20, speedway president Curtis Gray said Monday. The major damage was caused by the quarter-mile long garage suites structure, which Gray said literally seemed to be lifted into the air around 6:30 a.m. The flying structure took out 12 of the custombuilt light poles along pit road that are part of a new \$8.5 million lighting project for night racing. Parts of the structure landed in the catch fencing that is in place primarily to prevent airborne cars and flying debris from leaving the racetrack and hitting fans in the grandstands. One part of the garage suites structure flew over the grandstand and took out another custom-built light pole. Another part of the structure flew over the grandstand, landing on the outside of the track and doing damage to a sixth-floor suite along the way. As soon as the high winds subsided, assessment of the damage began. No immediate dollar amount was available.

Coach Summitt's father dies at 83

Richard Head, father of Tennessee women's basketball coach Pat Summitt, died at 83. Head died Sunday at his home in Henrietta, the Boyd Funeral Home said. Friends of the family said he had been ill for about a year. Summitt missed practice in Knoxville on Monday to be with her family. She often credited her father, a tobacco and dairy farmer, with instilling in his three sons and two daughters a strong work ethic and sense of discipline. Head put up a basket on the family farm's hayloft so his children could play basketball after finishing chores. Later, he moved the family to a neighboring county so his daughter could enroll at a high school that had a girls' basketball team. Besides his children, Head is survived by his wife, Hazel, and brothers Conroy and Hughes. The funeral is scheduled for Wednesday at Mount Carmel United Methodist Church.

Green out for the season with torn thigh tendon

The Green Bay Packers are losing playmakers even faster than they're losing games. Running back Ahman Green is the latest casualty. He was lost for the season with a ruptured right thigh tendon Sunday, when the Packers blew a 17-point lead and lost to the beleaguered Minnesota Vikings. On Monday, coach Mike Sherman glumly announced that Green will undergo surgery this week and that wide receiver Robert Ferguson will miss up to a month with a torn lateral cruciate ligament in his 5 left knee. That leaves the Packers & (1-5) without their top two running ≥ backs and three of their top receivers as they head into a brutal stretch in § which they face Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Atlanta, Minnesota and Philadelphia. Brett Favre's arsenal now features third-down back Tony Fisher, who has rushed for 20 yards on 14 carries this season, and newcomer ReShard Lee (seven carries for 7 yards) and a receiving corps that consists of 5-foot-8 kick returner Antonio Chatman (10 catches) and former practice squad member Jamal Jones (zero catches) behind Donald Driver, who will surely see more double teams. Green is the fourth key player to sustain a seasonending injury, joining Pro Bowl wide receiver Javon Walker (ACL), backup running back Najeh Davenport (ankle) and rookie receiver/returner Terrence Murphy (neck)s. Coach Mike Sherman maintained his stance that the Packers, who haven't had a losing season since 1991, won't cash it in now. And why should they? They play in the league's worst division with Detroit and Chicago atop the NFC North at 3-3.

Hamlin inspires Seahawks

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with videotape Just before Ken Hamlin returned home this weekend, the Seattle Seahawks safety prepared a surprise for his teammates: a videotaped message from his hospital bed. The unannounced sight of Hamlin, who is recovering from a severe beating he took in a fight outside a nightclub, at the end of a film session came as such a shock that the players forgot about the cheeseburgers they were waiting to eat. The Seahawks were wrapping up their Saturday night film session and already bee-lining for the snack table when Hamlin - who suffered a fractured skull, blood clot near his brain and bruised brain tissue in the assault - was staring back at them on the big screen. The message had its other desired effect, inspiring Seattle to a stunning 13-10 win over the Dallas Cowboys on Sunday.

Wellington Mara dies at 89 (AP) — Wellington Mara of league lawyer. Mara thought the New York Giants, one of the the league should be run by a NFL's most influential owners football man. for more than a half century and

the last of the league's founding generation, died Tuesday. He Mara, who was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1997, died of cancer at his home in Rye,

the team said. Mara's influence went far beyond the Giants. He clearly was one of the most important figures

in NFL history. "Wellington Mara represented the heart and soul of the National Football League," NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue said. "He was a man of deep conviction who stood as a beacon of integrity."

One of Mara's greatest contributions came in the early 1960s. He and brother Jack, owners of the biggest team in the biggest market, agreed to share television revenue on a leaguewide basis, dividing the huge amounts of money available in cities like New York with smaller markets from Pittsburgh to Green Bay.

Part of that agreement meant that the Giants ceded the right to sell their own games to television for a leaguewide contract, in those days with CBS. That concept of revenue sharing allowed the NFL to thrive and remains in place today.

He also served during the operations. 1970s as chairman of the NFL's Management Council, which negotiated labor contracts, and as a member of the competition committee.

In 1989, he and group of older owners wanted Pete Rozelle's successor to be Jim Finks, then the New Orleans general manager, rather than Tagliabue, then a

But Mara and several other old-guard owners finally agreed to break a stalemate of four months by throwing their votes to Tagliabue and he became one of the new commissioner's staunchest supporters, a man Tagliabue often leaned on for

Tagliabue wasn't the only one who sought out Mara. His advice also was invaluable to other owners, league officials, media and even fans.

"When Well Mara stood to speak at a league meeting, the room would become silent with anticipation because all of us knew we were going to hear profound insights born of eight decades of league experience," Tagliabue said.

Mara became a Giants' ballboy at age 9 on Oct. 18, 1925 after his father, Timothy J. Mara, bought the team. He stayed fully involved in its operation for almost 80 years, except for three years while in the Navy during World War II. Until he became ill last spring, he attended most practices and every game.

In 1930, at 14, his father ₹ made him co-owner with older brother Jack, and he ran the club until several years ago when son John took over day-to-day

But from 1979 on, while the team was run by general managers George Young and Ernie Accorsi, Mara had final say on football decisions. He was the one who decided to fire Jim Fassel after the 2003 season and replace him with Tom Coughlin.

"I've never had more respect for anybody in this business, or



Mara smiles alongside his Pro Football Hall of Fame bronze bust after being inducted into the Hall of Fame, July 26, 1997 in Canton, Ohio. He was the last of the league's founding generation,

in any business, or in any walk of life, than Wellington-Mara," said Coughlin, an assistant on earlier Giants teams. "To say Wellington Mara is one of a kind, I would endorse that wholeheartedly."

Before last Sunday's game against Denver, Coughlin told his players of Mara's condition. The Giants won on a touchdown pass from Eli Manning to Amani Toomer with 5 seconds left. In

the locker room after the game, the players chanted "Duke, Duke, be standing right there to shake Duke" - Mara's nickname.

Manning later said he had been told by one of Mara's grandsons that the owner awakened in time to see the winning play, then smiled and went back to

The players, current and past, all admired him. "After games, you'd walk into the locker room and he'd your hand, win or lose," running back Tiki Barber said. "That was one of the moving feelings about playing for the New York Giants, having your accountability given to you as soon as you walked into the locker room."

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ECU Head Coach Wayne Cox speaks to the team after one of their practices earlier this year.

ECU ice hockey team earns first victory

Team split games on Richmond road trip

ERIC GILMORE SENIOR WRITER

For the ECU club ice hockey team, the opening face-off in Richmond, Va. was a mere formality to a year's worth of effort. It didn't matter that the Pirates started their inaugural game against Virginia Commonwealth near midnight. Or even that not many people were watching. All that did matter was that the Pirates finally played – and won.

ECU used two goals from an unlikely source to win its first ever intercollegiate match-up 3-1 against VCU. Little-used freshman center Daniel Hopkins notched the first-ever goals for ECU against Rams goalie Jeremy Sacra.

The Pirates came out with intensity, but found themselves down 1-0 after the first period. Hopkins responded in the second with a wrist shot that went short side on the VCU goalie. Hopkins, an Easton, Md. native, scored on his first shift while being rotated in with the fourth line.

During the deciding third period, Hopkins scored again, this time a blast that went top shelf on Sacra's glove side. Nearly

30 seconds later, Pat Szwec iced the game to put ECU up 3-1. Szwec's goal was assisted via a pass out of the corner from freshman Seth Percy.

Brent Falcon, team president, helped stymie the Rams attack as goalie. Falcon formulated the idea for a club team nearly two years ago. However, last year was spent fundraising and going through the bureaucratic waiting period in order to enter a conference.

The Pirates had to wait more than a year to play their first game. However, the wait wasn't nearly as long as their second. Fewer than 18 hours later, ECU traveled across town to take on the Richmond Spiders.

Richmond won 7-3 on a game that was cut short due to an oddity rarely seen in hockey. The Zamboni driver clipped the boards during the intermission between the second and third periods. The crash ripped out an entire piece of the bottom kick plate, something that was unable to be repaired. According to Blue Ridge Hockey Conference rules, Richmond was ruled the winner because two periods were already complete.

The Spiders took the early lead, scoring on the game's first shift. ECU responded with a

Kevin Jarvies goal. Pat Szwec, who scored the insurance goal a night earlier, added his first assist.

Richmond took advantage of ECU's inexperience by scoring four consecutive goals. Mark Linzer notched his first goal to close the margin to 5-2. Szwec netted his second assist on Linzer's goal.

The Spiders responded with another goal to push the lead again to four. Hopkins scored his third goal of the weekend. Jon Koritz and Tyler Falcon teamed on the Hopkins assist.

Richmond climbed to the top of the conference standings of the Northeast Division with eight points. ECU is tied with Clemson and Appalachian State in the Southwest Division. All three teams have 11 games remaining.

The Pirates will play their first-ever home games on Oct. 28 and Oct. 29. ECU will host Radford in a conference matchup at Bladez on Ice in Greenville, located on Red Banks Road across from Overton's. The Pirates and Highlanders will drop the puck at 9:30 p.m. on Friday and 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets are \$2 at the door.

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OPINION **SCOTTY WILLIAMS** STAFF WRITER

You've heard the stories, probably because some friend at work has told you or because you've read it on a bulletin board. Most of the stories are so hopelessly absurd that people tell other people just to shock them.

An angry father punches out his son's coach over a call he doesn't like.

Parents engage in heated arguments about whose child is better until they come to blows.

A coach reacts angrily to a star player being pulled from a game, perhaps in violence. One coach in Montgomery, Ala. shot a parent in the lower back for pulling a boy off his football team.

The sad thing is none of these problems are taking place on a pro sports field, a college field or even a high school field.

These acts of violence have often occurred in the presence

of young children. Youth sports violence occurs all the time, and it's a sad byproduct of adults breaking the same youth sports commandment they push on their children: It's about having fun, not winning or losing.

What the parents don't tell their children in words, but often do tell them in action is that it is about having fun, but losing isn't much fun. Even though every child is supposed to enjoy playing the game and being active, there's certainly no "L" in

"enjoy," is there? A lot of people try to undermine the violence that goes on in youth sports, but it is NOT as rare as people would have us think. According to the National Alliance for Youth Sports, these acts of violence have occurred in

this year alone: A baseball umpire broke his hand and suffered a cut to his face after fighting with a parent/coach at a 14-year-old league game.

A youth baseball coach and former major league pitcher got suspended for getting in a yelling match with the opposing team's parents. This occurred in a 9- and 10-year-old baseball league.

A parent choked a hockey coach because his 9-year-old son missed a practice and was consequently benched for a few

Also, let's not forget the story from Montgomery, Alabama, where a youth football coach shot the father of his 12-year-old player for removing him from the football team.

The NAYS at one time stated that 110 violent incidents have occurred in youth sports in the United States between 1999 and October 2004. Every time a youth team suits up, some hothead parent or overzealous coach (which we have all seen one or the other) provides a horrible example for their children by losing their temper over the game that they preach is supposed to be fun.

The thing most of these hothead "role models" don't understand is that children do model everything they see and children rarely follow the advice "Do as I say, and not as I do." Time after time, parents either live out their athletic dreams through their children or push them and push them until their child equates performing on the athletic field to receiving their parent's love.

Consider the reality show "Sports Kids Moms and Dads" on Bravo, where overzealous and obsessive sports parents are chronicled pushing their children to excellence on the field at all costs. Craig, one of the fathers, actually quit a fulltime, well-paying job to coach his 8-year-old son Trenton seven days a week through personal practices, games and sessions with a hired semi-professional player. According to a statement on the Bravo Web site, Craig says that "his future and my future are tied to his dream of being an NFL football player."

Who thinks it's fair to put the strain of your personal future on your pre-adolescent son? That sort of pressure could powerfully stigmatize young Trenton, but he doesn't know or care. His father plays sports with him seven days a week

Do you have \$15,000 to spend on your child's sports experience? One mother does. Sharon, another parent on that show, actually spends about that much a year on her daughter Sarah's cheerleading career (it helps that her husband is a lawyer). How does that affect Sarah? Little Sarah (eight years old) practices usually more than six hours a day, including cheerleading team practice and personal work. It gets to the point where mother even coaches Sarah personally

and works on her routines. What kind of expectations would you think you'd get if your mother invested \$15,000 a year on your sport before you hit puberty? Fun must be somewhere pretty low on the totem pole if

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Instant replay in baseball?

The human element has always been in the game

OPINION JEFF FELTON STAFF WRITER

Safe? Are you kidding me? Those were the thoughts running through my head as I watched game two of the American League Championship Series between the Chicago White Sox and the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. The controversial call started when White Sox catcher A.J. Pierzynski swung at a pitch for strike three in the dirt. Homeplate umpire Doug Eddings pumped his fist signifying an out, but Angels catcher Josh Paul tossed the ball back to the pitcher's mound believing the call to be out number three.

Instead Pierzynski starts for his dugout then sees Paul toss the ball back and Pierzynski runs to first. He was ruled safe at first and the White Sox went on to win the series and advance to the World Series. After watching the replay a million times and listening to the TV analysts over-analyzing, the strike three pitch did not hit the dirt - the catcher did in fact catch it.

That play started the con-

"Wellington Mara is the face

of not only the New York Giants

but the NFL," tight end Jeremy

Shockey said. "He's a pioneer

and the guy that everybody looks

ill, Mara would find them doc-

tors, pay their medical expenses

and arrange help for their fami-

lies. Many old-timers were on the

payroll as scouts or advisers. Even

in this era of sophisticated scout-

ing, it wasn't unusual for Young

or Accorsi to get a call from a

former player recommending the

well aware of the prospect, but

In most cases, the team was

Giants look at some prospect.

When former players became

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up to."

versation of instant replay in baseball. As fate would have it, Sunday night's game two of the World Series between those same Chicago White Sox and the Houston Astros, featured another controversial call, made by plate umpire Jeff Nelson.

Jermaine Dye of the White Sox apparently went around on a check swing that would have been strike three, but Nelson called a hit by pitch. Replay showed that the ball grazed Dye's bat and did not come close to hitting him. The bases were now loaded as Dye took first base and what happens next? Paul Konerko - grand slam, 6-4. Yet another White Sox win over a blown call.

Now that college football has instant replay, those highly emotional games are slowed by replay. The NFL has instant replay and so far it has worked out.

But what about baseball? don't think so.

People already complain that the games are too long anyway and now you want to talk about instant replay? The NFL has had replay before, then got rid of it, and now it's back, but baseball has never had anything like instant replay.

Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig has already

Mara never dropped any of those

self a football man first, running

the on-field operations through

the 1950s until 1979 while Jack

and then Jack's son Tim ran the

business end. The team was suc-

cessful during the '50s and early

'60s with such stars as Frank Gif-

ford, Y.A. Tittle, Sam Huff and

Roosevelt Brown and a coaching

staff that included Tom Landry

and Vince Lombardi as assistants.

er's recommendation, the Maras

agreed to hire Young as general

manager and the team again

became a power.

In 1979, on the commission-

Mara always considered him-

old "scouts" from the payroll.

instituted enough ridiculous ideas into the game, such as this new World Baseball Championship. It's a possible U.S. versus the world All-Star game and gives home-field advantage in the World Series to the winner of said exhibition game.

Replay is a different evil when it comes to baseball.

The human element has always been part of the game. Granted; umpires and referees should not change the outcome of a game, but they're human. There are so many different calls that are made during a baseball game: balls and strikes, fair or foul, a great catch or did he trap

Conventional thinking would tell you that if a manager thinks a called ball is a strike 10 or 20 times during a game, that's 10 or 20 times play stops to review. That's just for one manager. Maybe I'm just old school and don't like change, but this is baseball, our national pastime. Keep the game as it has been for more than a century.

I mean, what's next? Baseball players taking steroids? Oh... wait a second...

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It won Super Bowls in 1986

and 1990 with Bill Parcells coach-

ing a team that starred Lawrence

Taylor and Phil Simms and stout

defenses. The 1990 team featured

one of the best coaching staffs

assembled: future head coaches

Coughlin, Bill Belichick, Al Groh,

Charlie Weis, Romeo Crennel and

family sold their share of the

team to Robert Tisch. Tisch and

Mara were officially co-owners

and Tisch ran much of the busi-

Ann, 11 children and 40 grand-

Mara is survived by wife

In 1991, Tim Mara and his

Ray Handley.

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That is the all-consuming problem. Sports used to be the sanding tool that put the finishing touches on a well-rounded individual. It used to be the backdrop for friends to bond and forge memories they would talk

Yet on some fields, coaches and parents deep-six their children by showing them that fun is a secondary or tertiary goal. Score lots of points and win are goals one and two.

Do you want to make a difference? Volunteer to coach a youth sports team, or join NAYS.

You as the parent, the coach, the role model, can make a difference and preserve the fun of sports for your child. Or you can ruin your child's love of the sport.

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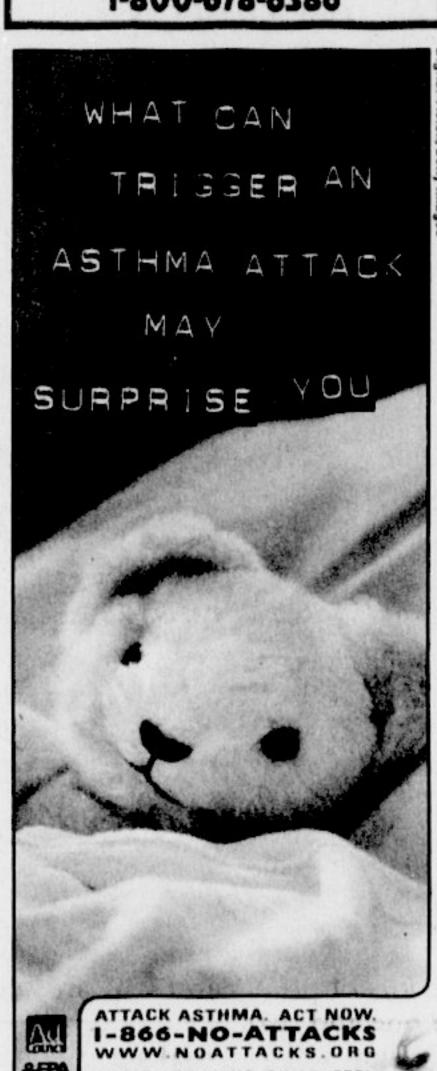
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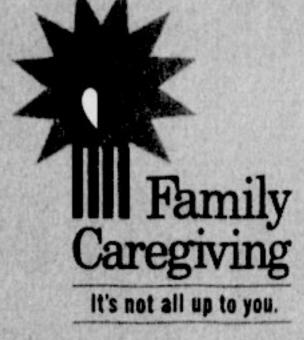
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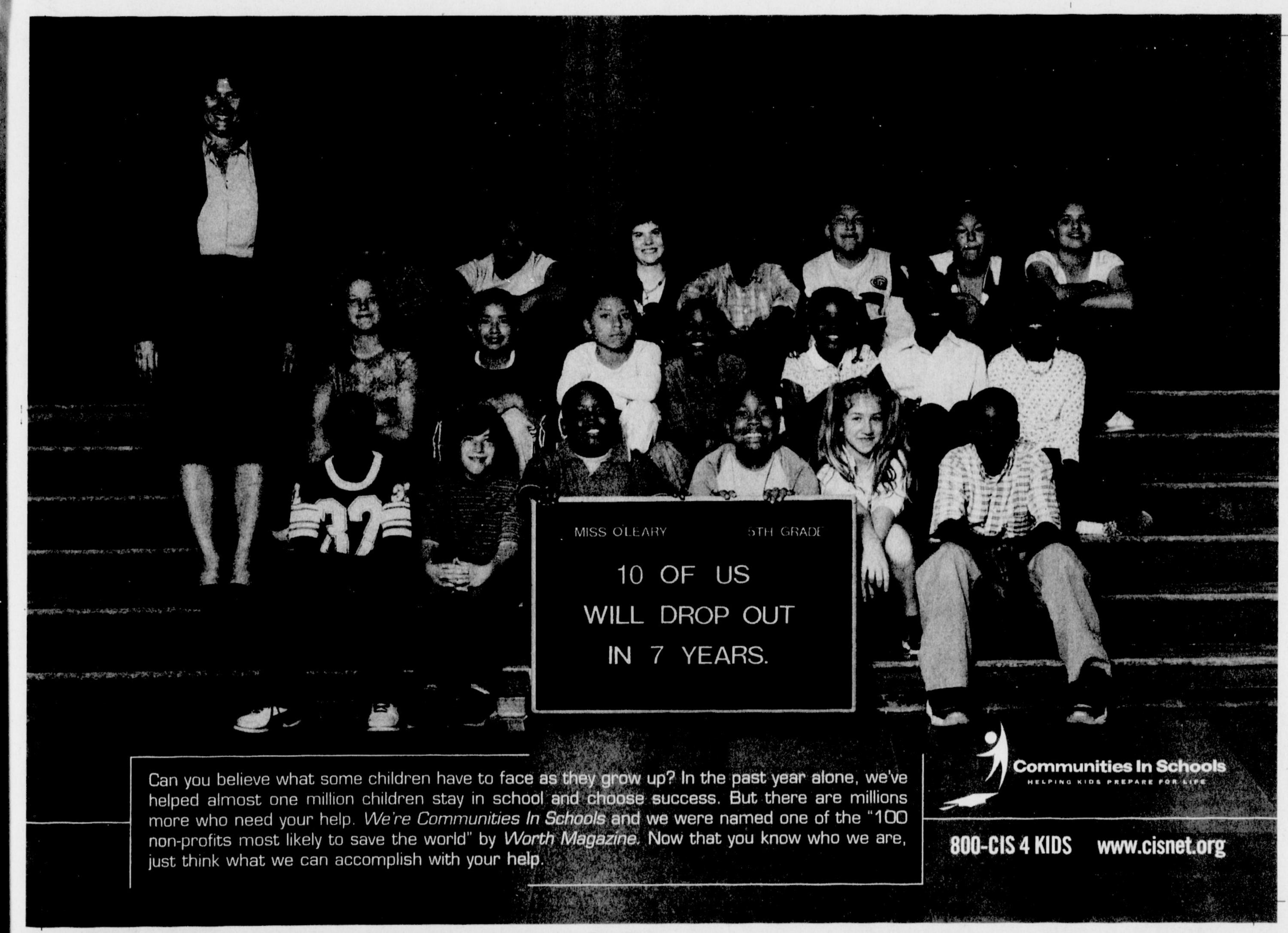
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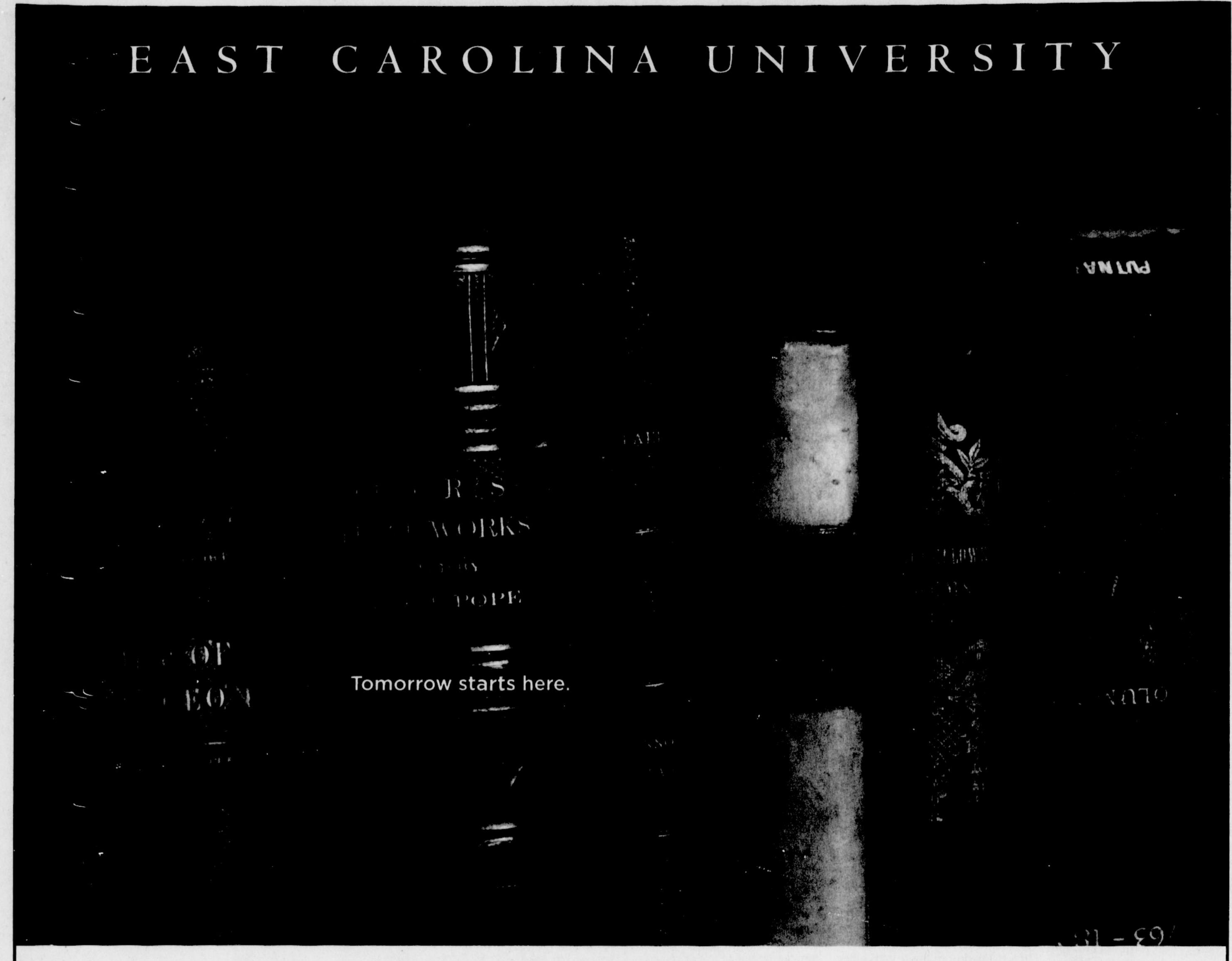
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