

## SGA rewrites constitution



SGA President M. Cole Jones spoke at a recent meeting about the constitution, which is almost complete.

All students will be SGA members under the new document

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After many years of not being modified – since the very first writing, actually – the SGA administration is in its last stages of making history by redoing the constitution, which included many complex rules and difficult language to interpret.

M. Cole Jones, SGA President, said, "The constitution

was misused and abused for personal gain and other alternative motives besides serving the students."

"It was very visible, being the detailed document it was. It was filled with many loopholes and complicated language. It was really time for a change and to basically give it a whole new face lift."

According to Jones, the last two SGA administrations attempted to revise the constitution, but were unsuccessful. Jones said that his administration decided to make this a platform goal of theirs and that they were determined to accomplish it.

To make initial changes to the constitution, a 20 percent vote was needed, but the largest percentage of votes obtained was about 16 percent.

The process of reconstructing the constitution began this summer during the summer senate that consisted of mainly the executive board. The executive board includes the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

The student involvement for the changes basically consisted of these executive members and grew as the year progressed.

Some of the key players in the process were M. Cole Jones,

Dustin Pittman, Ben Wyche, Terry Gore, Ping Li, Charles Owens, Michaelino Antahades, Ryan Wiggins, Abey Dessie, Nadia Payne and Terry Hoiloman.

The previous rules in the constitution didn't leave much room for SGA to treat all organizations equally as far as funding and other issues are concerned.

Ben Wyche, speaker of the senate, said that he got the chance to look over the constitution about two years ago and after noticing injustices that the document included felt it was time for a change.

Wyche said, "There were several issues that were in contradiction to supreme ruling and state legislation, mainly how we funded organizations that were of religious or political orientation."

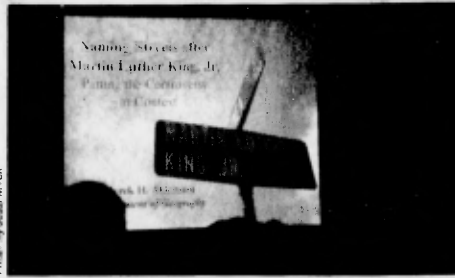
The only revisions made to the document over the school's history were minor changes made when men began to enroll at the school. The past constitution wasn't a direct reflection of all the students, according to Jones.

Dr. Gary Moore, vice chancellor of student life, and Mary Lu Anta also played a big role in giving SGA the permission and funding to get the revisions started.

The SGA was able to make some drastic changes that will ensure equality and impact all students positively.

Altering the language of the constitution was an important change that will ensure that the average college student will be able to understand it.

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Students are encouraged to attend the second open discussion.

## Fifth Street may soon become MLK, Jr. Street

Open discussion on street renaming was held Monday

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An open discussion on renaming the entirety of Fifth Street after Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was held in Willis auditorium Monday. The topic has been a sensitive one for a long time, and many citizens are happy that something is finally being done.

The evening opened with a brief history on the street's name based on city record. On April 11, 1989, a letter was sent requesting Memorial Drive be renamed after MLK. It, of course, remained named for war veterans.

Many other roads were considered, and on Oct. 12, 1990, zoning commissions held a vote for the change of West Fifth

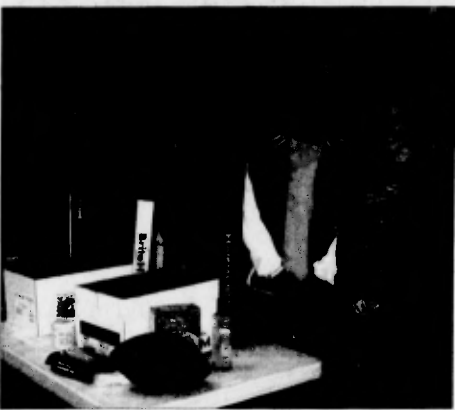
Street. January 1999 was the date of the official name change that still exists now.

The current debate is having all of Fifth Street named after Dr. King instead of just half. To most Greenville natives, keeping half is just degrading and offensive. Sure, there is history people carry with them from Fifth Street and it will be a pain for those residents to change addresses, but there is more history in this town of diversity and segregation that affects people of all races on every street in town. This is the history that needs to be symbolized by our admiration for Dr. King for the younger generations, students and aging natives alike.

Dr. Derek H. Alderman, associate professor of geography, is a very active participant in Martin Luther King, Jr. research. He has

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## 'Give to the Troops' supplies peace of mind



Donations for troops are welcomed by the Gamma Beta Chi Society.

Gamma Beta Chi steps up to assist deployed soldiers

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The Gamma Beta Chi Society has been actively involved in a program geared toward sending care packages to troops deployed overseas in places such as Iraq and Afghanistan.

The society adopts different organizations. This semester, "Give to the Troops" was the program of choice.

The society is accepting a wide range of items to be sent overseas and anyone is welcome and encouraged to donate.

"A big part of what we're trying to do is to provide opportunities that 'Give to the Troops' can't meet. For example, they'll make a request of what they

would like to give to the Troops to send to them in their care packages," said Debranetta Gethers, junior and president of Gamma Beta Phi.

"And sometimes troops request items that they don't have in stock or they haven't had donate and 'Give to the Troops' can't financially go out and purchase for them, so we want to be there to meet that need as well."

"Give to the Troops" is a nation-wide organization. There is one in each state and it just so happens that "Give to the Troops" in North Carolina is in Greenville," said Stacey Jones, service chairperson for Gamma Beta Phi.

"They take donations and they package them up and send them overseas to places like Iraq and Afghanistan and anywhere else we have troops," said Brandon

Brake, junior and vice president. The society also sends out volunteers to work at the "Give to the Troops" location in Greenville. Three to four volunteers go every day to the center when it is open, and take care of packaging.

"We pack enough for eight to 12 people in the unit to hand out," Jones said.

"We put cards in there, little goodies, books, things of that nature along with daily basic things."

The program started at the beginning of February.

In the past Gamma Beta Chi has worked with the Ronald McDonald House, as well as collected money for children who are affected with aids.

"It's gone pretty well, but they still need more," Brake said regarding the organization's current success.

"I think a lot of people will be interested in it, they just don't know about it, so we just want to get that name out there and get them out."

Gamma Beta Chi is currently putting together plans to accept items in Wright Plaza, as well as collaborate with the society at Pitt Community College. There is no tentative date set yet.

The society learned about the "Give to the Troops" program through the advising center.

Gamma Beta Chi is a national honor and service organization. Potential members must hold a 3.25 GPA or be in the top 15 percent of their class.

For those interested in donating, "Give to the Troops" is located at 3109 Landmark Street across from Wal-Mart.

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## Taking new steps toward reducing smoking

Grant helps initiate programs to stop smoking

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The N.C. Health and Wellness Trust Fund (HWTF) awarded ECU \$80,000 Feb. 9 to decrease the number of smokers between the ages of 18 and 24.

Faculty members involved in implementing programs that will help reduce college-aged smokers include Georgia Childs, Dr. David White, Karen Warren and Dr. Craig Becker.

White and Warren will be the principle investigators examining how smoking can be reduced, and Becker will act as the lead evaluator who will see that the programs are going as planned and are fulfilling the objectives they have to reduce the number of college smokers. The expertise of Family Medicine and Pediatrics will provide assistance with these programs.

Also involved in this project are the Department of Health Education and Promotion and the Healthy Pirates.

The Healthy Pirates will deliver smoking cessation classes. With the help of several groups, the

Healthy Pirates will have a media campaign to promote students not to start smoking or to stop.

The grant will allow the individuals involved in this grant to start mandatory tobacco prevention education in the required Health 1000 courses and develop and enforce a campus smoking policy.

"We are very excited for the opportunity to enhance the health and well-being of our students," said Childs.

The grant will last until December 2007, but efforts to reduce smoking and prevention will continue.

"The modules for the Health 1000 classes will still be in place when the grant money runs out," Childs said.

According to the Center for Disease Control, the age group of 18-24-year-olds is the only age group that has nationally rising smoking rates instead of falling ones.

Childs said that she feels that social habits and stress may cause the large number of smokers seen within this age group.

"A majority of 18-24-year-olds are in college or may have stressful jobs. They may start smoking as a means of relieving stress," Childs said.

"Smoking may be a social

thing where they smoke at parties, in the club or outside on campus for a chance to meet people."

The grant will also allow them a chance to create an area where smokers can go to smoke without affecting the air and breathing of non-smokers.

"There are often people standing outside near the entrances of buildings smoking. This affects others who have to travel through the smoke to get in the buildings," Childs said.

Environmentally, smoking is a problem at ECU mainly because of students and staff throwing their cigarette butts on the ground.

ECU's grant is one of the first state funded grants to promote prevention and reduction of tobacco use among college-aged youth.

Over the past two years, \$1.6 million was awarded to 20 universities, community colleges, health departments and organizations in North Carolina by HWTF.

Students who would like to quit now have the option of calling the HWTF-funded N.C. Tobacco Use Quitline at 1-800-QUIT-NOW.

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## Student Union lays down the cards



Students can expect to see many more events like Casino Night from Student Union in the future.

Student Union provides fun night for all

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The ECU Student Union put on a Casino night of free billiards, bowling, food and games Wednesday evening to show students their appreciation for all they do to support the school.

The fun and games were also a recruitment opportunity to show students what the Student Union does and how to get

involved. They are responsible for organizing all of the fun events and activities for the student body such as open mic nights, films, educational lectures, dance competitions, comedians and a variety of live music.

Everyone present had the chance to win an iPod shuffle, a digital camera, a portable DVD player and tons of ECU memorabilia. Providing these events for students is what the Student Union is all about.

Event planner Jessica Creeden said, "These events are beneficial

for students because it allows them to learn more about Student Union."

Student Union is made up of seven committees dedicated to making an inviting atmosphere for ECU.

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For more information on Student Union, visit [ecu.edu/student-union](http://ecu.edu/student-union).

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## Announcements:

### Cultural Outreach Season Schedule

Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005 until Saturday, April 01, 2006  
The S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series, ECU's flagship performing arts series, annually presents a season of nine of the world's top orchestras, ballet companies, jazz artists, soloists, modern dance ensembles, Broadway shows, opera companies, chamber ensembles and pop artists. The Family Fare Series features kid-centered cultural excursions for the entire family. This series features four curriculum-based performances by the nation's finest young-audience touring companies.  
For more information, contact 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS

### Storybook Theatre, My Hero...Reaching for the Stars!

Saturday, March 4 at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium  
Back by popular demand! Following their successful debut at Wright Auditorium last year, ECU's Storybook Theatre returns with stories about ordinary youngsters who make extraordinary contributions to the world. Purchase subscriptions by October 8 for best options. Family Pass (four tickets to each show) \$96, Public Subscription (one adult ticket to each show) \$30, ECU faculty/staff Subscription (one adult ticket to each show) \$25, ECU Student/Youth Subscription (one student/youth ticket to each show) \$20. Advance individual tickets, if available, may be purchased beginning Oct. 17 and cost \$9 public, \$8 ECU faculty/staff and \$6 ECU students/youth. All tickets at the door are \$9. Tickets are required. For more information, contact the Central Ticket Office, 328-4788, 1-800-ECU-ARTS or ecuararts.com.

### Bachelor of Science degree in Rehabilitation Services

March 15 is the deadline for people interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Rehabilitation Services to submit an application. Applications can be obtained online or from the Department of Rehabilitation Studies, 312 Bek Building. If you have questions regarding the degree, please contact Dr. Martha Chapin at 328-4424.

### Contra Dance

The ECU Folk and Country Dancers are sponsoring a contra dance Saturday, March 11 at the Willis Building at First and Reade Streets downtown. Potluck supper at 6 p.m., concert at 7 p.m., beginners lesson at 7:30 p.m. and contra dance 8-10:30 p.m. Live, old-time and Celtic music by a string band. Students \$3, FASG members \$5 and public \$8. A smoke- and alcohol-free event. For more information contact Michael Cotter 752-8854 for ECU Folk and Country Dancers.

### Scuba Club event

The ECU Scuba Club is holding a catered event Thursday, March 2 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. The public is invited to this free event, which will showcase scuba gear and underwater communication equipment among other things. There will be guest speakers, including a diver who has been on scuba trips around the world. There will also be a raffle and prizes. For more information, call Nicholas at 201-317-3491.

### Illumina

Beginning on March 6, the Visual Arts Committee will be accepting entries for the annual art competition, Illumina. All students are invited to submit entries. For more information, students may call 328-4714 or visit the Web page at [ecu.edu/student/union](http://ecu.edu/student/union).

### Barefoot on the Mall

Thursday, April 20, is Barefoot on the Mall, the annual, all-day event that showcases nationally-known bands and will feature a carnival-like atmosphere. For more information, visit [ecu.edu/student/union](http://ecu.edu/student/union).

## Briefs

### State

**New Firefighters**  
FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) - More people who have already had a career are becoming full-time firefighters, fire officials say.  
The Fayetteville Fire Department does not keep statistics about how many people are switching careers or about what jobs they've had, but officials say, since Sept. 11, 2001, the trend is apparent.  
Some were soldiers and airmen, others stay-at-home moms and contractors. Many made more money than they do as firefighters, but it's not about the size of the paycheck.  
For some, it's about the hours. Fayetteville firefighters work 10 shifts a month at 24 hours per shift, leaving about 20 free days for family, hobbies or even another job.  
For others, it's about the rush of adrenaline when entering a burning building. Mostly, they want to feel as if they've made Fayetteville a better place to live. Almost half of these current trainees had other careers before becoming firefighters.  
The exercise is designed to simulate the type of smoky, fiery building the recruits could see as firefighters.  
Lewis, at 44, is one of the older people in this class.

### Teen Smoking

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) - More teenagers in the nation's top-producing tobacco state are avoiding cigarettes, chew and other leaf products that once dominated North Carolina's economic engine, according to a survey released Tuesday.  
About 25 percent fewer high school students and 40 percent fewer middle-schoolers reported smoking between 2003 and 2005, according to the biennial Youth Tobacco Survey. The drop represents 27,000 fewer

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many works published on this subject and is very informed on all aspects of street naming. He has given many talks on naming streets after MLK, but this was his first time speaking about it to his own town.

The purpose of his speech was to show how prevalent street naming is and how culturally important it is.

"There are over 730 U.S. cities named after King, and this number is very conservative," said Dr. Alderman.

There have been recorded marches and much controversy over the years throughout the country on this topic. On average, 19 streets per year are named after him since his assassination. There is even a side street in Italy named after the honorable Dr. King making it even more shameful, in some opinions, to not give a man who inspired an entire nation an entire road in his memory.

There was also a lot of help

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Changes were also made to provide the constitution with more concrete rules to ensure that SGA will function more smoothly in their business decisions.

The administration decided to change the title of senate to congress and representatives to day senators. Clearer job descriptions were created for the executive board members as well.

Other technical things were revised such as an increase in the executive board's salary, the combining of all the branches, the structure of the body of articles, the impeachment process, checks and balances along with many other things.

One of the main goals of the new constitution is to serve the students in the best way possible.

Jones said that he would like the student body to know that every student is a member of SGA under the new constitution and everyone is free to express concerns and opinions.

Ryan Wiggins, screening and appointment chair who became active in the changes later in the semester, said that recently the administration have been working well over 50 hours a week making changes to the document.

In order to approve the constitution, three readings must occur and ratification of the revised document. The third reading of the constitution occurred on February 20.

Approval from Dr. Moore and Corey King, assistant vice chancellor of student experiences, are the final steps in this historic event for SGA and the university.

Once the constitution is approved, no other major changes will be able to take place until 2010. The constitution will be avail-

teens that reported smoking during the two-year period.  
"The kids from the ground up really do precipitate the buzz that it's no longer cool to smoke, and because of that, their parents jump on," said Lt. Gov. Bev Perdue, chairwoman of the N.C. Health and Wellness Trust Fund. The fund uses money from the state's master settlement with tobacco companies to improve the health of North Carolinians.

## National

**Major Bush ally visits Washington**  
WASHINGTON (AP) - Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, facing a tough election to stay in power, got a boost Tuesday from his ally President Bush, who effusively praised Berlusconi as a strong leader who has "brought stability to the Italian government."  
Berlusconi had breakfast with Bush, followed by formal talks.  
"He's a man of his word," Bush said of Berlusconi as they sat side by side in the Oval Office.  
"Obviously, it's important for an American president to be able to work with somebody in a consistent manner and I appreciate the stability the prime minister has brought to our close ally and friend."

Asked whether the friendly U.S.-Italian relations would continue if Berlusconi's opponent won, Bush hastened to say that he was keeping his distance from Italian politics. Italy initially was among the most important U.S. allies in the Iraq war, having provided 3,000 troops to the effort in 2003 after U.S.-led invaders had brought down President Saddam Hussein's government. Italy now has 2,600 troops in country and is in the process of removing them all by the end of the year.  
The Italian economy is foundering

and guidelines provided by VISIONS here in Greenville at the discussion. They are a non-profit education organization in close connection with ECU. They are mainly based on cultural, racial and sexual equality.  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was about integration and unity. It was strongly implied at the discussion that naming half of the street after him (that half being on what is classified as the "poor" side) symbolizes diversity and segregation on its own. The citizens here are looking for a metaphorical bridge to connect all communities and ethnicities and rid them of the lingering prejudices.  
All are welcome to attend the next discussion March 27 at 7 p.m. at the Eppes Recreation Center at 400 Nash St. here in Greenville. Student voices are greatly appreciated.

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and Berlusconi's support for the war in Iraq has been deeply unpopular in Italy. Berlusconi has expressed confidence repeatedly that he would win re-election, and recent opinion polls show him narrowing Prodi's lead.

### Marketing for CIAA

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - It may seem incongruous that for 14 years, the CIAA basketball tournament and its related events have been overseen by a management company founded by a former NASCAR marketer in the posh suburb of Cornelius.  
But Tom Grabowski, president and CEO of Urban Sports & Entertainment Group, said the pairing of his background in NASCAR television production with events involving historically black colleges and universities is an odd match.  
"The sponsors, the companies out there like Bank of America and others, definitely seem to want to work with what we call boutique agencies - the smaller, more focused agencies."

## International

### Prosecutors show execution Saddam signed order they say

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Prosecutors presented documents Tuesday they said show Saddam Hussein approved executions of more than 140 Shiites in the 1980s, the most direct evidence yet against the former Iraqi leader in his four-month trial. Among those sentenced to hang was an 11-year-old boy.

The most significant document featured a signature said to be Saddam's on a court list of people to be executed, though it was not clear he was aware of their ages. The list on that particular document only had names.

About 50 of those sentenced died during interrogation before they could go to the gallows. One man, his brother and two sons were executed by mistake, and Saddam allegedly ordered them declared "martyrs" to cover up the error.

When it was discovered that the 11-year-old and nine other juveniles were not executed but were still in prison years later, they were ordered killed and their bodies buried in secret, an order approved with a signature the prosecution said was that of the intelligence agency chief at the time, Barzan Ibrahim, who is Saddam's half brother and a co-defendant in the trial.

### Deadly Bird Flu

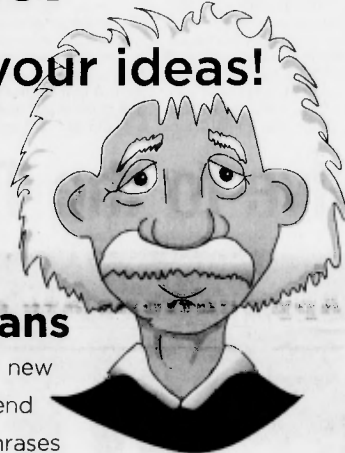
BERLIN (AP) - The deadly strain of bird flu has been found in a cat in Germany, officials said Tuesday; the first time the virus has been identified in an animal other than a bird in central Europe. Health officials urged cat owners to keep pets indoors after the dead cat was discovered over the weekend on the Baltic Sea island of Ruegen, where most of the more than 100 wild birds infected by the H5N1 strain have been found.  
The disease could continue its spread in poultry stocks in Europe and beyond.

"The risk now is high for everybody," said Bernard Vallat, director of the Paris-based World Organization for Animal Health, which hosted the two-day meeting of experts from 50 countries.

Authorities in Sweden and Hungary also said they were conducting further tests to confirm whether wild birds that had tested positive for a form of bird flu were infected with the H5N1 strain.

Slovenia, as well as the southern German state of Bavaria, both registered new cases of H5N1 in wild fowl.

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## No "Thank You" could mean no job

(CareerBuilder.com) — It's one of the simplest things you can do. Your mother told you to always say it. By expressing it — or not — you can change a person's mood and perception of you in an instant. Who knew two words could be so powerful?

Writing a thank-you letter after an interview doesn't just showcase a candidate's manners — it can also make or break their chances of landing a job. Nearly 15 percent of hiring managers say they would not hire someone who failed to send a thank-you letter after the interview. Thirty-two percent say they would still consider the candidate, but would think less of him or her, according to CareerBuilder.com's recent "How to Get in the Front Door" survey.

Although most hiring managers expect to receive a thank-you note, format preferences differ. One-in-four hiring managers prefer to receive a thank-you note in e-mail form only; 19 percent want the e-mail followed up with a hard copy; 21 percent want a typed

hard copy only and 23 percent prefer just a handwritten note.

No matter which format you choose, it's crucial to act quickly when sending a thank-you letter to your interviewer. Twenty-six percent of hiring managers expect to have the letter in-hand two days after the interview, and 36 percent expect to have it within three to five days. Sending the letter quickly reinforces your enthusiasm for the job, and helps keep you top-of-mind for the interviewer.

Survey Methodology The CareerBuilder.com survey, "How to Get in the Front Door," was conducted from May 17 to May 27, 2005. Methodology used to collect survey responses totaling more than 650 hiring managers for this study involved selecting a random sample of comScore Networks panel members. These Web Panel members were approached via an e-mail invitation, which asked them to participate in a short online survey. The results of this survey are statistically accurate to within 3.84 percentage points (19 times out of 20).

Here are some tips to make the most of your thank-you letter:

- Stick to three paragraphs. In the first paragraph, thank the interviewer for the opportunity. Use the second to sell yourself by reminding the hiring manager of your qualifications. In the third paragraph, reiterate your interest in the position.
- Fill in the blanks. Thank-you notes are a great way to add in key information you forgot in the interview, clarify any points or try to ease any reservations the interviewer might have expressed.
- Proofread carefully. Double-check to be sure your note is free from typos and grammatical errors. Don't rely solely on your spell-checker. Be specific. Don't send out a generic correspondence. Instead, tailor your note to the specific job and the relationship you have established with the hiring manager.

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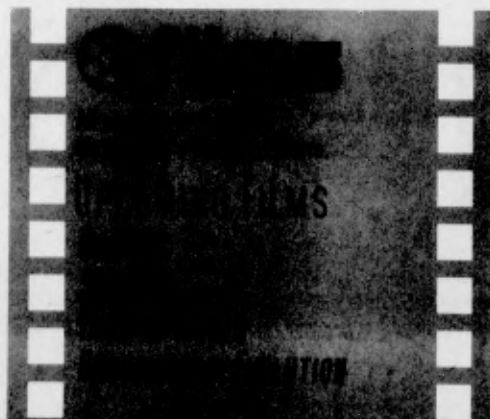
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To Delta Chi - We had so much fun at the Caddyshack social! Can't wait to do it again! - Delta Zeta

The sisters of Kappa Delta would like to thank Tricia Ross for being our sister of the week.

Thanks to Theta Chi for the social on Thursday! We had a great time, as always! Delta Zeta

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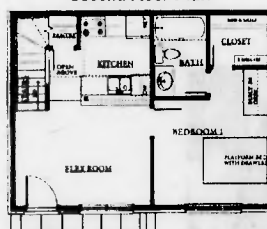
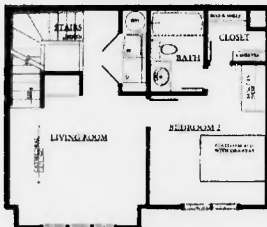
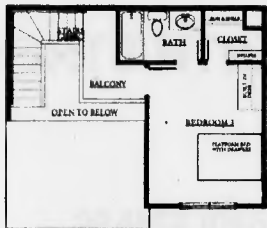
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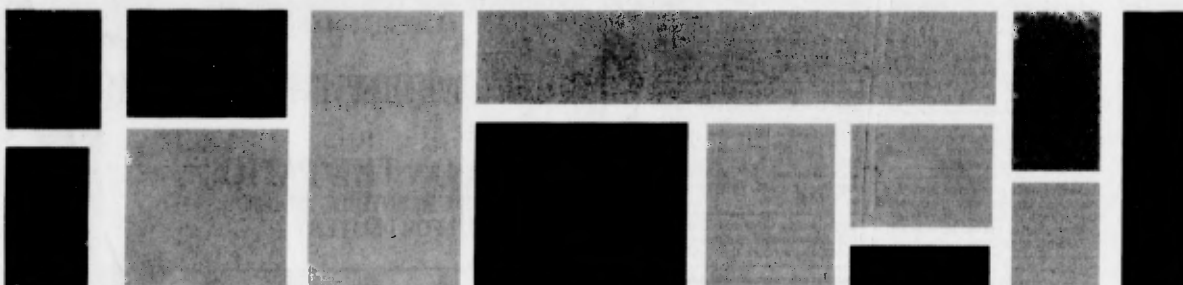
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Taco Soup

2 pounds ground beef  
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 2 cans pinto beans  
 1 can pink beans  
 1 can whole tomatoes  
 1 can Mexican tomatoes  
 1 can diced tomatoes  
 1 can tomato sauce  
 2 cans diced green chilies  
 1 can black beans  
 sliced, optional  
 1/2 cup green onions  
 1 package shredded cheddar cheese  
 1 package Monterey Jack cheese  
 Corn chips  
 Sour cream  
 Grated cheese  
 Chopped green onions  
 Pickled jalapenos  
 Brown the beef in a large skillet with fat, then transfer to a stockpot. Add onions and tomatoes, green olives, ranch dressing, and slow cooker. Cook for 4 hours or until about one hour before serving. To serve, place each bowl with 1/2 cup sour cream, onions and

Drunken Chicken

1 (3-pound) chicken  
 Seasoned salt  
 House seasoning  
 1 (12-ounce) can beer  
 1 sprig rosemary  
 Preheat a grill to medium heat. When glowing, place the chicken on the grill and drain the beer into a large bowl. Add house seasoning, rosemary, and beer to the bowl. Rub the chicken with the mixture, facing one side. Make sure the grill is done, approximately one hour. Turn the juice run-off. House seasoning  
 1 cup salt  
 1/4 cup black pepper  
 1/4 cup garlic powder  
 Mix ingredients in an airtight container for 3 months.

Mixed Berry Sauce

2 tablespoons sweetener (sugar or lemon)  
 Juice of 1/2 lemon  
 1 tablespoon cornstarch  
 1 cup cubed berries  
 4 medium and quarter cups sugar  
 1/4 cup raspberries  
 1/4 cup blueberries  
 Whisk the mixture together in a bowl with fruit and toss.

Spicy Italian Sauce

1/2 tablespoon olive oil  
 2 (8 1/2-ounce) cans tomato sauce (recommended)  
 1 tablespoon dried oregano  
 2/3 cup white wine  
 2 large eggs  
 1/2 cup drained tomatoes, optional  
 Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.  
 Butter an 8x8 inch pan.  
 Whisk the mixture in a large bowl with milk and egg whites.  
 Spread the mixture in the pan. Bake until firm to the touch, about 30 minutes. Cut into squares.

Spicy Mocha

4 1/2 cups milk  
 4 small dried chilies de arbol  
 3 cinnamon sticks  
 3 cups espresso  
 1 1/2 cups white chocolate chips  
 1 1/4 cups powdered sugar  
 1/2 cup powdered sugar  
 1 cup whipped cream  
 Combine cinnamon sticks, saucepan, and high heat. Cover and simmer. Whisk in the one cup of hot chocolate chips often. Dissolve cinnamon in the powder. Add 1/4 cup coffee to a bowl to blend. Whisk until immediate.



Recipes:

Taco Soup

2 pounds ground beef
2 cups diced onions
2 cans pinto beans
1 can pink kidney beans
1 can whole kernel corn, drained
1 can Mexican-style stewed tomatoes
1 can diced tomatoes
1 can tomatoes with chiles
2 cans diced green chiles
1 can black olives, drained and sliced, optional
1/2 cup green olives
1 package taco seasoning mix
1 package ranch salad dressing mix
Corn chips, for serving
Sour cream, for garnish
Grated cheese, for garnish
Chopped green onions, for garnish
Pickled jalapenos, for garnish
Brown the ground beef and onions in a large skillet; drain the excess fat, then transfer the browned beef and onions to a large slow cooker or a stockpot. Add the beans, corn, tomatoes, green chiles, black olives, green olives, taco seasoning and ranch dressing mix, and cook in a slow cooker on low for six to eight hours or simmer over low heat for about one hour in a pot on the stove. To serve, place a few corn chips in each bowl and ladle soup over them. Top with sour cream, cheese, green onions and jalapenos.

Drunken Chicken

1 (3-pound) chicken
Seasoned salt
House seasoning, recipe follows
1 (12-ounce) can beer
1 sprig rosemary
Preheat a charcoal grill over high heat. When the coals are hot and glowing, carefully push them over to the sides of the grill, leaving an open space in the middle of the grill. Wash and drain chicken. Coat the chicken inside and out with seasoned salt and house seasoning. Open the can of beer and carefully insert a sprig of rosemary. Then, place the beer can into the body cavity starting at the rear of the chicken. Carefully place the chicken on the center of the grill, facing one of the banks of the coals, making sure not to spill the beer. Cover the grill and cook until chicken is done, approximately 45 minutes to one hour, turning the chicken as necessary. The chicken is done when the juice runs clear.
House seasoning:
1 cup salt
1/4 cup black pepper
1/4 cup garlic powder
Mix ingredients together and store in an airtight container for up to six months.

Mixed Berry Salad

2 tablespoons low-fat artificially sweetened fruit yogurt (try key-lime or lemon)
Juice of 1/2 lime (about 1 tablespoon)
1 tablespoon fresh mint leaves, torn
1 cup cubed cantaloupe
4 medium strawberries, stemmed and quartered
1/4 cup raspberries
1/4 cup blueberries
Whisk the yogurt, lime juice and mint together in a medium bowl. Add the fruit and toss to combine. Serve.

Spicy Italian Bread

1/2 tablespoon butter
2 (8 1/2-ounce) packages corn muffin mix (recommended: Jiffy)
1 tablespoon chili powder
2/3 cup whole milk
2 large eggs, stirred to blend
1/2 cup drained oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes, chopped
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Butter an 8-inch square baking pan. Whisk the muffin mix and chili powder in a large bowl to blend. Mix in the milk and eggs. Stir in the tomatoes. Spread the batter in the prepared pan. Bake until the corn bread is firm to the touch and golden brown, about 30 minutes. Cool slightly. Cut into squares and serve hot.

Spicy Mocha

4 1/2 cups whole milk
4 small dried red chilies (such as chilies de arbol)
3 cinnamon sticks, broken in half
3 cups espresso
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 1/4 cups unsweetened cocoa powder
1/2 cup powdered sugar
1 cup whipping cream
Combine the milk, chilies and cinnamon sticks in a heavy large saucepan. Bring to a simmer over high heat. Remove from the heat. Cover and steep for 15 minutes. Whisk in the espresso, sugar and one cup of cocoa powder. Bring the hot chocolate to a simmer, whisking often. Discard the chilies and cinnamon sticks. Meanwhile, whisk the powdered sugar and remaining 1/4 cup cocoa powder in a large bowl to blend. Add the cream and whisk until the mixture is thick. Serve immediately.



Cast members of 'The Real World: Key West' posing happily.

Preview of 'Real World: Key West'

The place to be this season

SARAH CAMPBELL
STAFF WRITER

Drama, sex, drinking, lies, fighting and friendship are just a few of the exciting elements that combine to make MTV's pioneering reality show, 'The Real World,' a must-see hour of television that leaves viewers craving more. Fans of the show won't be disappointed with the latest location for the filming of the 17th season, Key West, Fla.

For 16 seasons, MTV's 'The Real World' has entertained viewers with the concept of 'the true story of seven strangers, picked to live in a house and have their lives taped to find out what happens when people stop being polite and start getting real.' 'The Real World: Key West' will offer the roommates some unique challenges. The first of these challenges was battling Mother Nature in the form of three hurricanes - Katrina, Rita and Wilma. However, Mother Nature didn't stand a chance in the wake of their obligation to open and run Mystic Sunless Tanning studio, a first for Key West.

However, as is expected in true 'Real World' fashion, the

roommates managed to cause plenty of trouble when they set out to party the night away on the strip at hot spots such as Fat Tuesday's and Lazy Gecko. 'The Real World' isn't all fun and games - it also places focus on issues that are often brushed under the rug by our society. The reality of the show echoes the personal battles that not only each roommate faces, but also we as individuals face in our everyday lives.

Since its premiere in 1992, 'The Real World' has put a national spotlight on societal issues such as AIDS/HIV, sexual orientation, racial tension, eating disorders and alcoholism. This season, two of the roommates will face a battle with anorexia and anger management problems.

Whether you've been watching 'The Real World' for years, just caught on to the craze or have never seen a single episode, 'The Real World: Key West' is sure to quench your appetite for drama. No matter what goes on throughout the season, the diversity of the roommates will definitely play an important role in keeping things real.

'The Real World: Key West' premiered Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 10

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'Running Scared' from theater



Paul Walker, the lead character in the film, plays Joey Gazelle, an Italian lower-level bagman.

Cursing, shooting and 10-year-olds

SCOTTY WILLIAMS
SENIOR WRITER

Shuffling into the theater for a 10 o'clock showing of 'Running Scared,' this reviewer was not exactly excited. A particular pet peeve of mine in movies is when a movie doesn't proclaim what it is in the trailer. The theatrical trailer for this movie was a barrage of bullets flying, people shooting and angry voices with nothing to declare about a plot or a storyline, and I wasn't sure what exactly the title implied.

A few minutes into the movie, the subject matter became more clear - once you've seen it, you'll be running scared out of the theater, haunted by the thought that you actually had to give up your money to see it.

Paul Walker is the lead in this movie, playing a character named Joey Gazelle. Walker's character is supposed to be Italian (I say "supposed to be" because everyone who was supposed to be Italian in this movie slipped in and out of an Italian accent like a pair of khakis) and working in the mob as a lower-level bagman, essentially. Gazelle's job is to dispose of hot pieces (otherwise known as guns used to kill

people) and cover up things. After one especially charged deal goes bad and some cops die, Gazelle has two pieces to hide. Things go especially wrong when a friend of his son's gets the gun and shoots his father. The rest of this 119-minute movie is Gazelle chasing the gun and the little boy through a sea of profanity, nudity and even child molesters.

Movie reviewers need to invent a new phrase to describe the language in this movie. Being a veteran and fan of movies like 'Fight Club,' where every other word is profane, I can honestly say this is the most profane movie I have ever seen. I would tell you the exact number of occurrences of the F-bomb in this movie, but that would mean I have to go back and see it again to count. The potty-mouthed mobsters and Russians in this movie easily topped 100 times. If anything, there were more curse words in this movie than minutes.

When characters aren't raining a sea of profanities, they're shooting each other in gratuitous scenes of bloodshed or groping each other's clearly visible private parts. Oh yeah, and two preteen children are main characters starring in the midst of this debauchery. When you can't watch a movie without your conscience and

ethos sitting on your head, that says something.

If there is one thing viewers should learn about this film, it is that Paul Walker is not fit for a leading role in a movie. After watching 'The Fast and the Furious' and 'Into the Blue,' the public should know this. Walker's character goes off to commit horrible actions, usually with one of the two children in tow, stomps around and cusses at women, children and big hairy men, but apparently has a soft side. We'll contact the FBI to go looking for it.

The movie's one selling point was a bevy of special effects and intense camera work, which is slightly impressive, but only from the stance of special camera effects work. Hollywood needs to realize that no gun has the firepower to send a person flying 15 feet across a room, no matter how cool it might look.

This movie is supposed to have a plot, but nothing is all that discernible in terms of a plot. The action of the movie takes so many turns, you're guessing at the end. The acting in the movie is forgettable, and you can't remember a single interesting piece of acting 15 minutes after you walk out of the movie. The only thing you will remember as you

see RUNNING page B3



The National Society of Collegiate Scholars is sponsoring the Rock for Relay, a concert benefiting Relay for Life, which is a division of the American Cancer Society. The concert will feature Virginia Coalition, Carbon Leaf and FRAIL. The show will be held in the Greenville Town Commons, in downtown Greenville Saturday, March 4. Gates will open at 2 p.m. and the show begins at 3 p.m. Please come out to watch these amazing groups and raise money for the Relay for Life.

2006 Air Guitar Championship

Regional, national and international

SHANNON DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Regional Air Guitar competitions are going to be held in at least 10 cities nationwide starting March 2 in California, Colorado, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio and Texas. The winners of these competitions will be flown to New York City in June 2006 to compete for the title of U.S. Air Guitar Champion. The 2006 U.S. Air Guitar Champion will move on to the Air Guitar World Championships held every August in Northern Finland. Entering the 11th year of competition, there are official national championships in the United States, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and the United Arab Emirates.

The U.S. Air Guitar Championship commits itself to taking our nation's subversive pastime out of the bedrooms and basements of the "musical connoisseurs" and putting them up on stages all over the world.



News outlets including NBC, CNN, Newsweek, The New York Times, ABC, MSNBC, Fox News, Los Angeles Times, ESPN, NPR, Salon.com, Variety and the NY Daily News have covered the U.S. Air Guitar Championships. Air guitar champions have made guest appearances on 'The Today Show,' 'Late Night with Conan O'Brien,' the 'CBS Early Show,' 'Last Call with Carson Daly,' 'Jimmy Kimmel Live,' 'Howard Stern' and 'Fox & Friends.'

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Heavy Rotation: From inside WZMB

Narrowing it down so you don't have to

JOHN BOSCO
STAFF WRITER

It's hard for me to believe, but it's already March.

When I started this column in January, it was with the wrap-up of the best records of 2005 that you hadn't heard. I made a point that one of my goals was to expose you to music that you've maybe never heard but probably should give a chance.

Well, it's about time I gave my recommendations for some albums released this year that are worth checking out. Lucky for you, they come just in time to enjoy during spring break.

Neko Case - Fox Confessor Brings the Flood. Without a doubt, the focus of this album is Case's amazing voice. Her range is somewhere amid the greats like Nancy Sinatra, Patsy Cline and Judy Garland. Her pristine vocal performance fits perfectly with the modern musical arrangements on this album. If you are looking for an uncommon sound that doesn't push you away with eccentricity, look no further. I recommend you get two copies, one for you and one to pass on to a friend.

The Elected - Sun, Sun, Sun. Rilo Kiley's Blake Sennett takes a break from the poppy sound Rilo fans may be familiar with and moves toward a more singer-songwriter style with his band, The Elected. The maturity and complexity of this album is surprising and enjoyable. I've already written the full review on this one, so it should come as no surprise that it's making the Best-of-2006-So-Far list.

NOFX - Never Trust A Hippie EP. If I had to admit one guilty pleasure, it would be NOFX. Actually, there's no guilt involved. They are, and always have been, on the cut-



ting edge of what punk music is and should be - political, gritty, hilarious and creative. They bring some of the most amazing vocal harmonies I've ever heard to a genre that rarely considers them an option. As self-taught musicians, they attack politics and extremist bands like Propogandi with good points and they don't back down. They stand up for their beliefs and should be respected for that. They are the epitome of punk, and Never Trust A Hippie is sure to make religious hypocrites cringe.

Rachael Cantu - Run All Night. I admit it, I'm a sucker for Tegan and Sara (you try listening to "Walking with a Ghost" and not hum it all day long). So when I got wind that Tegan was doing vocals on a Rachael Cantu track, I had to give it a listen. Run All Night may only be eight tracks long, but I'm already a Rachael Cantu fan. Though nothing here steps out of the bounds of anything I've ever heard before, something about the album sticks. Last week it was the station's number one charted album, and that doesn't surprise me one bit.

Elefant - The Black Magic Show. For anyone who might have read the Pitchfork review of Elefant's new album and decided it wouldn't be worth their time, I beg you to think again. While Pitchfork usually gets it right, they were way off with The Black Magic Show. Elefant managed to take their sound one step beyond their last release, Sunlight Makes Me Paranoid, with a great-sounding follow-up. Unlike their last album, this collection isn't entirely love songs. Some tracks fall short, but overall, the songs are well-composed and have good hooks.

The Strokes - First Impressions Of Earth. Come on. If you haven't heard about the Strokes by now, you are missing out on a huge chunk of good popular music. Rarely do bands as good as The Strokes get as much airplay as they deserve. Their new album, released in early January, continues their climb to the top of rock music. Personally, it seems to me the feel of this album is less garage-rock than their past releases; The Strokes just seem more aware of themselves as a band.

Beth Orton - Comfort of Strangers. Initially, I wasn't sure how I felt about this album. I popped it in and thought, "Great, another folk singer-songwriter looking for some airplay." Luckily, it didn't end there. After giving it a full listen, the melodies on this album stuck with me and her voice did, too. Orton's vocal prowess is shown on Comfort of Strangers - this album has sparse and minimal arrangements, but the beauty in her voice and her knack for melody shines through.

Hopefully you found something on this list that you might enjoy. As always, be sure to tune in to WZMB 91.3 as we continue to put the rad back into radio.

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## NC Super Group: Lovehead and The Real



Continued photo

Band members Chris Wells, Mike Davis (Greenville native) and John McClain have been performing together for about one year. They created their record *The Definition of Love* with COC's Grammy Nominated Mike Dean.

They will be performing in Greenville at Dr. Unks at 9:30 p.m. Friday, March 3. Their sound has been described as soul, alternative rock with dual harmonies, which will make it a great Thursday night outing.

For more information visit, [myspace.com/loveheadandthereal](http://myspace.com/loveheadandthereal). Photo by Randy Ada.

## Movie picks

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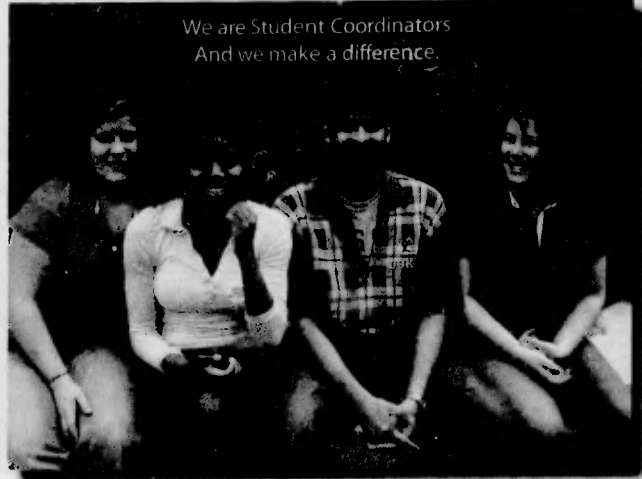
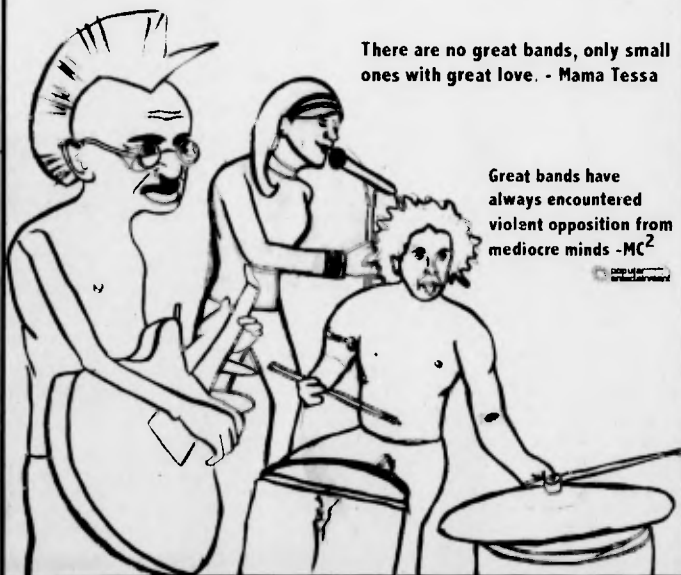
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## Guitar from page B1

Premiering at SXSW March 12, "Air Guitar Nation" is a feature-length documentary about the year that air guitar swept the United States.

From New York to Los Angeles and all the way to northern Finland, "Air Guitar Nation" chronicles the rise of the U.S. Air Guitar Championships through the eyes of former world champions, enthusiasts, media and through the personal journeys of our top competitors. "Air Guitar Nation" is directed by Alexandra Lipsitz and produced by Dan Cutforth and Jane Lipsitz. Cutforth and Lipsitz are also executive producers of television shows such as NBC's "Last Comic Standing," Bravo's "Project Runway" and HBO's "Project Greenlight."

The competitions will consist of two rounds. In the first round, competitors perform to a song of their choice. In round two, the top competitors from round one perform to a surprise compulsory song. In each round, contestants perform for one minute to their songs and are then judged on a combination of technical expertise, stage presence and "airness." The most important regulation that the contestants must follow is that all guitars have to be invisible.

The 2005 U.S. Air Guitar Champion is Fatima "the Rockness Monster" Hoang, with the 2004 and 2003 champions being M1R1 "Sonyk-Rok" Park and David "C-Diddy" Jung. All three victors possess the technical wizardry, stage presence and the ever-elusive "airness" required to succeed in this competition.

Air guitar can be viewed as musical self-expression, a competitive sport or a form of performance art. Whatever the reason, air guitar is so embedded in the fabric of American life that it has become an almost instinctual response. When the right riff is heard in a groovy tune, for many of us, air guitar simply happens. For more information on the U.S. Air Guitar competitions, visit [usaiguitar.com](http://usaiguitar.com).

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## How to Watch

The New York City Regional Competition is Thursday, March 2 at The Knitting Factory, 74 Leonard St., New York, N.Y.  
The International Championship is in Oulu, Finland.

## Running from page B1

run screaming and scared from the theater is there are so many better things that you could've bought with your \$7.25. For example, you could've paid someone to beat you over the head with a sandbag and bought a soda. The entertainment value of such an experience would easily trump *Running Scared*. Plus, if he spews profanities while beating you, the experiences will be similar.

**Grade: S**, as in stay far, far away.

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## Real from page B1

p.m. If you missed that episode, it is not too late to catch up and tune in for your own dose of drama. MTV will be replaying the first episode for the rest of this week and also right before next week's new episode.

For more information about "The Real World: Key West" and previous seasons of "The Real World," please visit [mtv.com](http://mtv.com).

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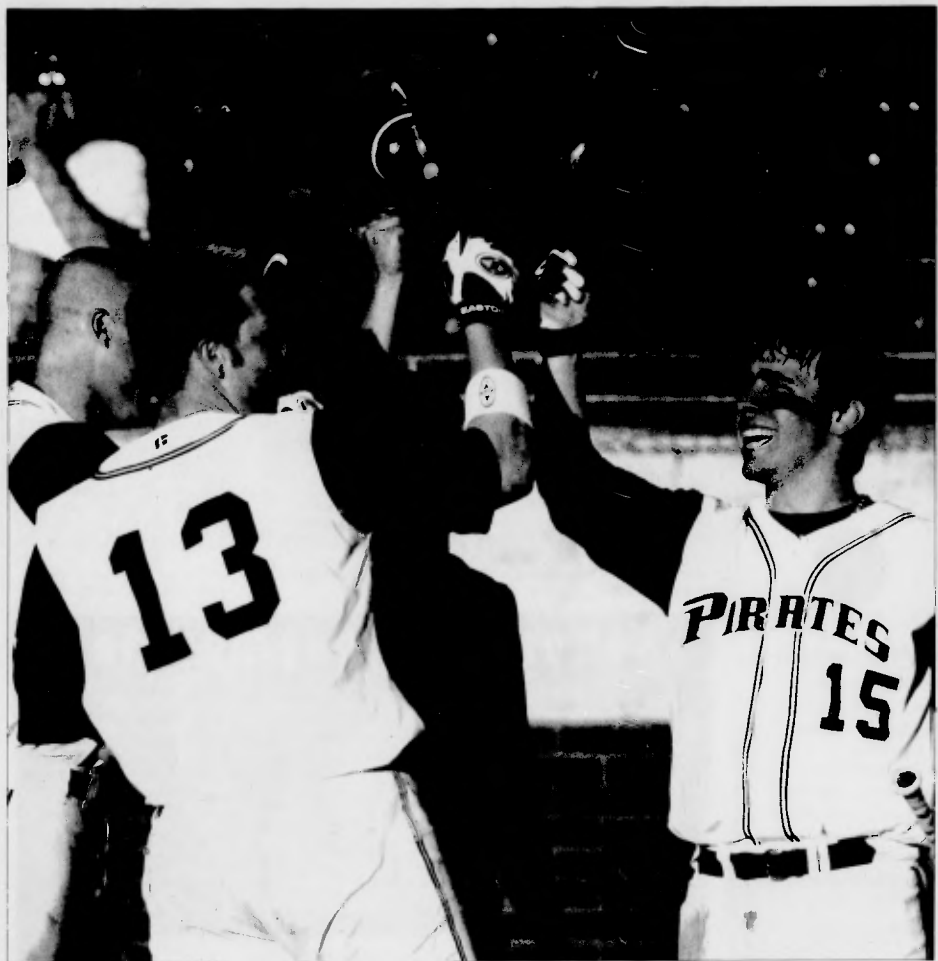
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Jake Smith (13) celebrates after his grand slam against Duke Thursday afternoon. The Pirates' slugger has been red hot as of late.

## Diamond Bucs to host Stony Brook this weekend

Red-hot Smith looking to continue RBI assault

BRENT WYNNE  
SENIOR WRITER

After walloping Duke for the second time this season, a 17-4 beat down Tuesday that included catcher Jake Smith going off for a grand slam and six RBI, the Pirates will return to action this weekend when they host 2004 Kinston Regional opponent Stony Brook.

Smith, who has hit .386 with three homers and 20 RBI this season, was named Conference USA's Hitter of the Week for his efforts during last week's games. He batted .444 over a four game stretch, three of which were Pirate victories, and also blasted a home run, two doubles and collected 10 RBI.

Smith is proving not only to be one of the elite hitters in the conference, but also one of the most feared arms behind the plate in the nation. Runners have tried 14 times to steal against the senior catcher, and Smith has successfully gunned down eight would-be stealers. That's

an alarming success rate of 57 percent, a percentage that most big league catchers can't claim to have.

Head Coach Matt Senk and his Stony Brook Seawolves will look to change the luck of Pirate opponents against Smith, as well as try to steal a win or two from the Diamond Bucs in Clark-LeClair Stadium.

In their first and only series of the season, the Seawolves traveled to Orlando, Fla. to take on Central Florida. The Golden Knights swept the series 1-0, 8-3 and 5-4 to drop Stony Brook to 0-3 to start the 2006 season.

Don't let these three losses fool you. The Seawolves were highly competitive throughout the weekend, with some great pitching and defense. Where Brook failed to capitalize was at the plate, where they managed just 18 hits, an average of six a game, and a team batting average of .182.

Isidro Fortuna leads the Seawolves at the dish. He leads the team with a .429 average, including two doubles, a triple and a run scored. Freshman Steven Mazzurco is batting .375

with a triple and a RBI. The only other Brook player batting .300 or better is Chris Sipp, with a .300 average and a RBI. Jon Pasieka and Robert Dyer have both chipped in two RBI.

The lack of offense has put Stony Brook's pitching staff in a near impossible situation to win games. Kris Bakey started game one for the Seawolves and pitched masterfully for six innings, allowing just three hits and no runs, but Brook's offense put up goose eggs, falling to the Golden Knights 1-0. Bakey got a no decision despite being brilliant.

Stony Brook ran out to an early 1-0 lead in game two, before starter Brian Murtagh collapsed in the second, giving up six runs and six hits to allow UCF to seize control of the contest. The bright spot for the rest of the game was the pitching of Mike Errigo. Errigo stopped the bleeding for the most part of his 5.2 innings. He allowed five hits and only one run. Don't be surprised if Head Coach Matt Senk decides to go with Errigo as a starter this weekend against the Pirates.

Matt Restivo started and

pitched five innings in game three, and had it not been for a fielding error in the fourth inning that allowed UCF to score three unearned runs, he would've shut out the Golden Knights for the five innings he was in. He gave up three hits and struck out three.

Bakey, Errigo and Restivo will be the key for the Seawolves' staff if they hope to win a game or games against ECU this weekend.

While it's obvious that this isn't the same team that won the American East and gave the Pirates all they could handle in the Kinston Regional in 2004, the philosophy is the same. This team will be scrappy and fight for every run they get or give. Expect some very good pitching and solid defense along with a lot of small ball and manufacturing runs. The Seawolves will come into Greenville focused on leaving with wins.

Game time Friday is 3 p.m. The Pirates and Seawolves battle again Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m.

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## Pirates spring into practice form



Holtz speaks at a press conference Wednesday afternoon.

Yanowsky hired as tight ends/special team coach

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Skip Holtz spent last spring learning players' names and positions while trying to install his offense. In year two, Holtz plans for things to run much smoother.

"We don't have to put the names on their helmets so it's not 'hey B2, come here,'" said Holtz about the differences between last season and this.

"We actually know these guys a little bit more now. You're going out there with a much more advanced agenda. Last year, we took almost all spring to put everything in. This year, you can almost roll the balls out there. You can say 'OK, we're going to put in half the offense in day one and half the offense in day two' because they know what to do. We're not going to be teaching what to do, we're going to be teaching how to do it."

All kidding aside, Holtz has plenty of business items to cover during the NCAA sanctioned 15 practices. He and his coaching staff must fill holes on the offensive line, at fullback, tight end and linebacker. Holtz must also juggle the newest recruits and nagging injuries while overseeing fierce position battles.

Holtz announced an addition to his coaching staff by the hiring Don Yanowsky as tight ends/special teams coach. Yanowsky, who coached at ECU during 2000-01, most recently served on the Duke staff for three years. Yanowsky was the defensive line coach during his previous stint with ECU. He replaces Greg McMahon, who left to become the assistant special teams coach for the New Orleans Saints.

Quarterbacks

Three-year starter James Pinkney will undergo his first spring practice under Holtz after missing last season with aca-

ademic trouble. The threesome of sophomore Patrick Pinkney, redshirt freshmen Rob Kass and Brett Clay are in a heated battle for the backup slot. The younger Pinkney will be healthy for the first time in his career while Kass ran the scout team during the fall.

Offensive line

The offensive line was the largest question mark following the fall with the loss of three seniors. But according to Holtz and offensive line coach Steve Shankweiler, the staff has already tentatively penciled in four starters. Josh Coffman and Eric Graham will probably man the tackle slots while Matt Butler and Terence Campbell will likely play guard. However, Holtz reiterated that the center position is wide open as former defensive tackle Fred Hicks moves across the ball. Senior Thomas Wingenbach and grayshirt Larry Lease are in contention. Senior Lance Neisz will be held out of contact drills until after spring break while last season's backup center, Drew Sutton, won't make it back until the fall. Redshirt freshman Jonathan Battle and midseason transfer Andrew Farr will add depth. Davon Drew, up to 242 pounds after being moved from quarterback, is the likely starter at tight end. Jay Sonnenhalter is the only other tight end with game experience because Shawn Levesque decided to forgo his senior season for personal reasons.

Running backs

Two-year starter Chris Johnson will be pushed by sophomore Dominique Lindsey and senior Brandon Fractious. Fractious will look to solve his fumbling stigma while Johnson will try to build momentum from his 684-yard season. Robert Tillman, used as a hybrid running back/wide receiver in 2005 remains sus-

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## Poker events: Buddies think they know when to hold 'em



Rabin, left, and Beck offer collegiate poker tournaments of Texas Hold'em.

(KRT) — The bond between buddies Craig Rabin and Jason Beck is obvious, particularly in the way they tend to finish the dangling end of each other's sentences.

The way Beck tells it, he called Rabin as soon as he got the idea in 2004 to start a business that would host free college poker tournaments at which students would compete for scholarships. It didn't matter that the pair was separated by more than a thousand miles, with Beck in college in Miami and Rabin at Illinois State University in Normal.

Rabin picks up the story: "I was like, 'This is a great idea.' So I had this business class that was on small business ownership. We had to create a fake company. But I was thinking, why create a fake dog stand when we have got this great idea?"

Since 8th grade, Beck and Rabin have talked about running a business together. Now, less than a year after graduating from college with business degrees, they are hosting free traveling Texas Hold 'Em poker tournaments at six universities. In April they will

hold an online national championship with a scholarship prize pool of up to \$20,000.

The budding entrepreneurs have succeeded in avoiding the corporate 9-to-5, but they are entering controversial territory in bringing a "legitimized" version of poker onto university campuses. Beck and Rabin aim to ride the poker wave; there has been an enormous growth in the game's popularity in general and in college poker, in particular, during the past few years.

There are about 3 million young people, between ages 14 and 22, who gamble at cards on a weekly basis, according to a recent study by the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania. About half of the males attending college gamble at cards at least once a month, the research showed.

Long a popular pastime, now poker events on television have glamorized the game and those who play it.

Beck, who worked in the University of Miami's intramural department and played poker in

college, said he couldn't help but notice students' growing interest in the game. He said he thought scholarship tournaments hosted mainly by university intramural departments and funded by local and national sponsors would allow students to enjoy the excitement of the game without the troubling aspects of gambling for money.

But as popular as it is, college poker is controversial, particularly when it comes to university-sponsored events. University officials have been criticized for being slow to recognize and react to problem student gambling in the same way they have to drug and alcohol abuse.

Legal gaming is heavily regulated and Internet gambling is illegal in Illinois, though anyone with a credit card, online access and a search engine can quickly find a place to play poker or other games.

Keith Whyte, executive director of the National Council on Problem Gambling, says this operation may be a problem.

"The concern we have is that they are sending the message that

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# Villanova seniors suffer rash of injuries

(AP) — For Jason Fraser, a one-and-one was more likely to mean operations on both of his knees on the same day than a trip to the free-throw line.

Curtis Sumpter's MRI exam revealed a torn ACL that earned him a DNP against North Carolina in last season's NCAA tournament.

Now it's Allan Ray's turn to learn if the give-and-go means all he can do in his final home game is give some high-fives and go to the bench because of a sprained knee.

Say this for Villanova's senior class, these players know almost as much about X-rays as they do about game film.

And when the group is introduced before their home finale Wednesday against St. John's,

the seniors better not forget to thank the doctors, trainers and physical therapists, as well as Mom and Dad.

But this group didn't come to Villanova to earn an MD. The quartet of Fraser, Sumpter, Ray and Randy Foye arrived together as coach Jay Wright's first prized recruiting class and were determined to return the Wildcats to college basketball's elite level.

"If we're going to make this program go, it had to start with us," said Foye, Villanova's leading scorer.

"We took it upon ourselves that we've got to do this."

All four played a part in making fourth-ranked Villanova (22-3, 12-2 Big East) a national championship contender again. The senior night game might

or might not include Ray, who sprained his knee in Sunday's loss at Connecticut. The game definitely won't include Sumpter, who has missed all season recovering from two knee surgeries.

"That was the plan from the beginning, to go out together," Sumpter said.

"But things happen along the way."

Instead of putting together two 10-game winning streaks with a four-guard lineup, the Wildcats could have been charging down the stretch with four senior starters. But injuries and operations slowed the careers of Sumpter and Fraser.

The 6-foot-9, 225-pound Fraser was supposed to be the best of the bunch, coming to the Main Line as a McDonald's

All-American after leading Amityville High School to four straight New York State Class B titles. He was athletic, could run well for a big man and block shots, and was considered talented enough to make the leap to the NBA right out of high school.

There isn't much leaping or jumping anywhere these days.

Fraser has been plagued by injury since he was a freshman, missing four games his first year because of a stress fracture in his foot and three others when he was suspended because of phone-card violations. He missed eight more games with a broken left foot as a sophomore, and four more last season with a broken bone in his right hand.

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## Spring from page B4

ended for the spring semester and will not participate in spring practice. Two former quarterbacks, Kort Shankweiler and Pat Dosh, will compete for the fullback position. Shankweiler moves back to fullback, a position he played two seasons ago while Dosh will be used as more of an H-back.

**Wide receivers**  
Record setting senior Aundrea Allison is still recovering from a knee injury suffered in the season finale and will sit out much of spring ball. Juniors Philip Henry, Booby Good, Juwon Crowell and Steven Rogers will compete with seniors Kevin Roach and Will Bland. Redshirt freshmen Kyle Johnson and Alex Taylor will vie for time as well. Wide receivers' coach Donnie Kirkpatrick has plenty of depth to work with, but will try to develop the speedy

wideout he lacked in 2005.

**Defensive line**  
Marcus Hands is still recovering from shoulder surgery that prematurely ended his 2005 season delaying his return for the fall. Senior Shauntae Hunt is penciled in as the defensive end opposite Hands. But pushing Hunt will be redshirt freshman Scotty Robinson and junior Wendell Chavis. The interior is thin, however, with Dontre Brown, Brandon Setzer and Mark Robinson vying for the two starting slots at defensive tackle. Depth, though, will be an issue as grayshirt Johnnie McCoy is the only other scholarship player practicing.

**Linebackers**  
Four of the five top linebackers from 2005 graduated so defensive coordinator Greg Hudson

was forced to haul in immediate talent. Aside from Pierre Bell, who will not practice due to a foot injury, JUCOs will probably lead the ranks throughout the spring. Lackawanna College teammates Danny Muhwezi and Orlando Farrow along with Fred Wilson will compete with juniors Durwin Lamb and Quentin Cotton. Sophomores Jarrett Wiggins and Zach Slate are also in the mix. Depth won't be a problem as the three starting slots are a free-for-all.

**Secondary**  
Jamar Flournoy was the slated strong safety starter in 2005 before a season-long suspension forced a redshirt. The senior rejoins Kyle Chase and free safety Pierre Parker, both of whom saw significant playing time in 2005. Redshirt freshmen Van Eskeridge and Chris Mattocks

will add depth at the safety slots. Kasey Ross, the team's reigning Defensive MVP will enter practice as the top corner. However, the other corner slot is wide open as senior Mark Keith McQueen, junior Travis Williams and sophomores J.J. Millbrook and Stacy Walls will battle. Jerrek Hewitt, who gained 96 yards at wide receiver as a true freshman will be a wild card as he moves back to his natural corner position.

**Kickers/Specialists**  
Seniors Robert Lee and Ryan Dougherty have cemented their spots as the starting kicker and punter respectively. Invited walk-on Ben Hartman is fresh off a redshirt and will try to either unseat Lee at place-kicker or Dougherty on kickoffs.

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**Poker** from page B6

gambling is a good way to make money." Whyte said.

"No university would support a college drinking or smoking tournament. So we find the presence of these tournaments odd."

Rabin said some university officials still say "no" to Collegiate Poker Tour Events, refusing to have their names and reputations associated with poker.

Others wanted to see how well the tournaments succeeded before they decided whether to climb on board.

Still, the idea is gaining acceptance: From six this year, the duo says they are planning to host between 25 and 30 tournaments in the next academic year.

The first tournament was held last November at Illinois State University and pulled in about 350 students. Nate Tierney, a junior marketing major, won the event and will compete with others in the April online championship.

"I surprised myself, that is for sure," 20-year-old Tierney said, calling himself a good, but not an expert poker player.

"When I told my folks about winning, they said, 'Put down your books and work on your poker game.' But of course, they were just joking."

Sam Kelner, coordinator of intramural sports at St. Louis University, said he believes the Collegiate Poker Tour Events have many positive benefits.

"When I found it was a non-alcoholic event and there is no exchange of money and no charge for students, I thought that it was the greatest bet," Kelner said.

"Let's be honest. It is a Saturday night and students are going to go out and drink. We are always searching for ways (in which) students can be in an alcohol-free, safe environment."

These days, Beck and Rabin spend most of their days in Rabin's parents' basement in Buffalo Grove, Ill., looking for additional companies to act as sponsors to provide everything from scholarship money to food and prizes for the events. The biggest challenge for the fledgling entrepreneurs has been the scholarship prize, which was once promoted to be as much as \$85,000 an ambitious sum they never reached.

Every cent they make is being poured into their business venture, and they both still live with their parents.

"I have the shortest commute of anyone in Buffalo Grove," joked Rabin.

**Injuries** from page B5

"He's been as patient as any player I've ever had," Wright said.

Fraser had five surgeries on his knees while at Villanova, including double knee surgery in April 2003, and seven overall. Instead of reaching his star potential, he's a role player this season, averaging 3.8 points in 17 minutes.

The number he cherishes most, though, is 25. Fraser hasn't missed a game this season.

"God's truly blessed me this year to allow me to play basketball and practice from start to finish," Fraser said.

The worst thing has been a bloody nose, and that's a very good thing.

In a perfect scenario, Fraser might have formed a beefier, taller frontcourt with Sumpter. Considered the Wildcats most versatile player, Sumpter tore the ACL in his left knee in a second-round NCAA tournament game last season and missed the season-ending loss against North Carolina. Then, he tore the ACL again during a routine practice drill in October, needing

a second surgery.

"There's no doubt in my mind I want to be out there, there's no doubt in their mind that they want me out there, but I've got to do what's best for me," Sumpter said.

Sumpter recently was cleared to participate in individual drills, but has not practiced or scrimmaged. He said Tuesday he will take a medical red shirt and return next season as part of a nucleus that includes starters Mike Nardi, Kyle Lowry and Will Sheridan.

"I wanted to go out there and help my team as much as I can," Sumpter said.

"Being out there was what I really wanted to do."

Sumpter will have a limited role on senior night. He might not be able to stomach observing his classmates celebrate knowing he should have been part of the ceremony. And, it will be difficult not having his parents with him.

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